The Cave Case

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Neutrosophic Evolution as extension of Darwin's Evolution

During the process of adaptation of a being (plant, animal, or human), to a new environment or conditions, the being partially evolves, partially devolves (degenerates), and partially is indeterminate i.e. neither evolving nor devolving, therefore unchanged (neutral), or the change is unclear, ambiguous, vague, as in neutrosophic logic.

Thank to adaptation, one therefore has: evolution, involution, and indeterminacy (or neutrality), each one of these three neutrosophic components in some degree.

The degrees of evolution /indeterminacy/involution are referred to both: the structure of the being (its body parts), and functionality of the being (functionality of each part, or inter-functionality of the parts among each other, or functionality of the being as a whole).

We therefore introduced for the first time the Neutrosophic Theory of Evolution, Involution, and Indeterminacy (or Neutrality) [1].

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- New evidences for the Theory of Neutrosophic Evolution:
 Degrees of Evolution, Indeterminacy, and Involution

This photoalbum - presenting images from the caves I visited in the Southwestern United States - wants to popularize this theory, offering new evidences in favor of it, extracted from biospeleology.



LIST OF CAVES

Carlsbad Caverns (New Mexico)
Grand Canyon Caverns (Arizona)
Kartchner Caverns (Arizona)
Colossal Cave (Arizona)
Mitchell Caverns (California)
Boyden Cave (California)
Crystal Cave (California)
Subway Cave (California)
Bear Gulch Cave (California)
Lehman Caves (California)
Timpanogos Cave (Utah)





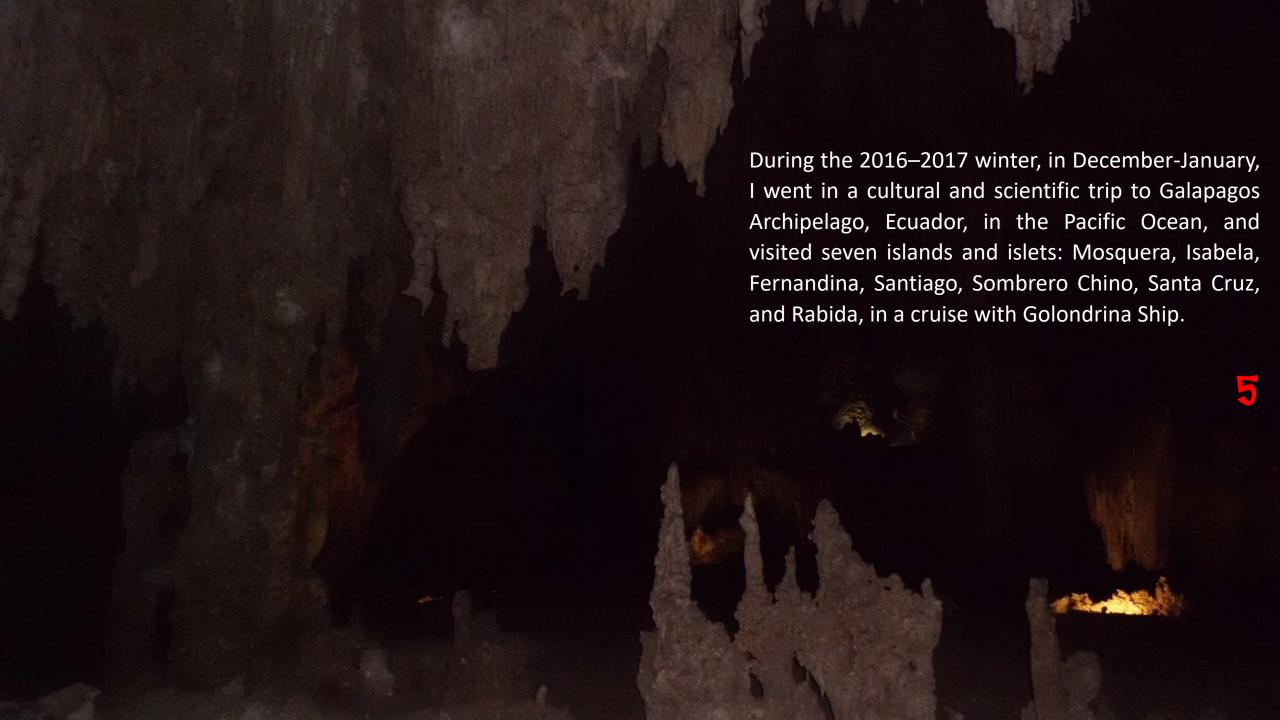
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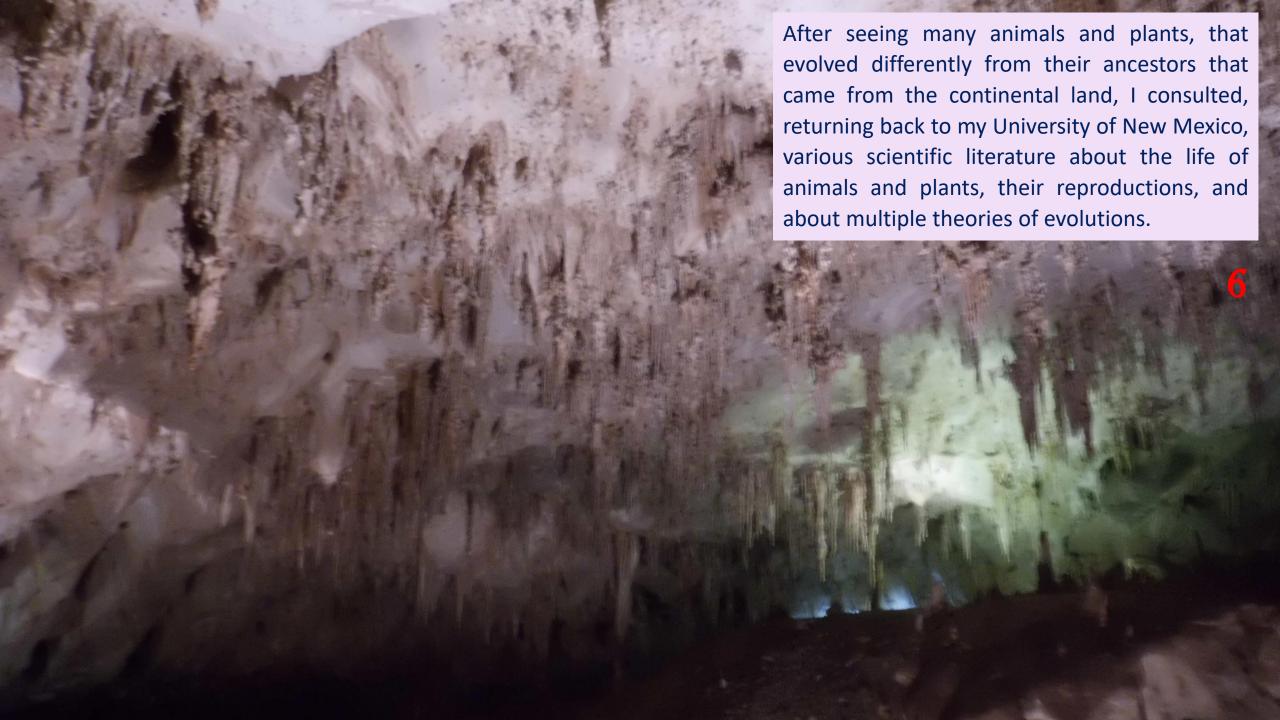
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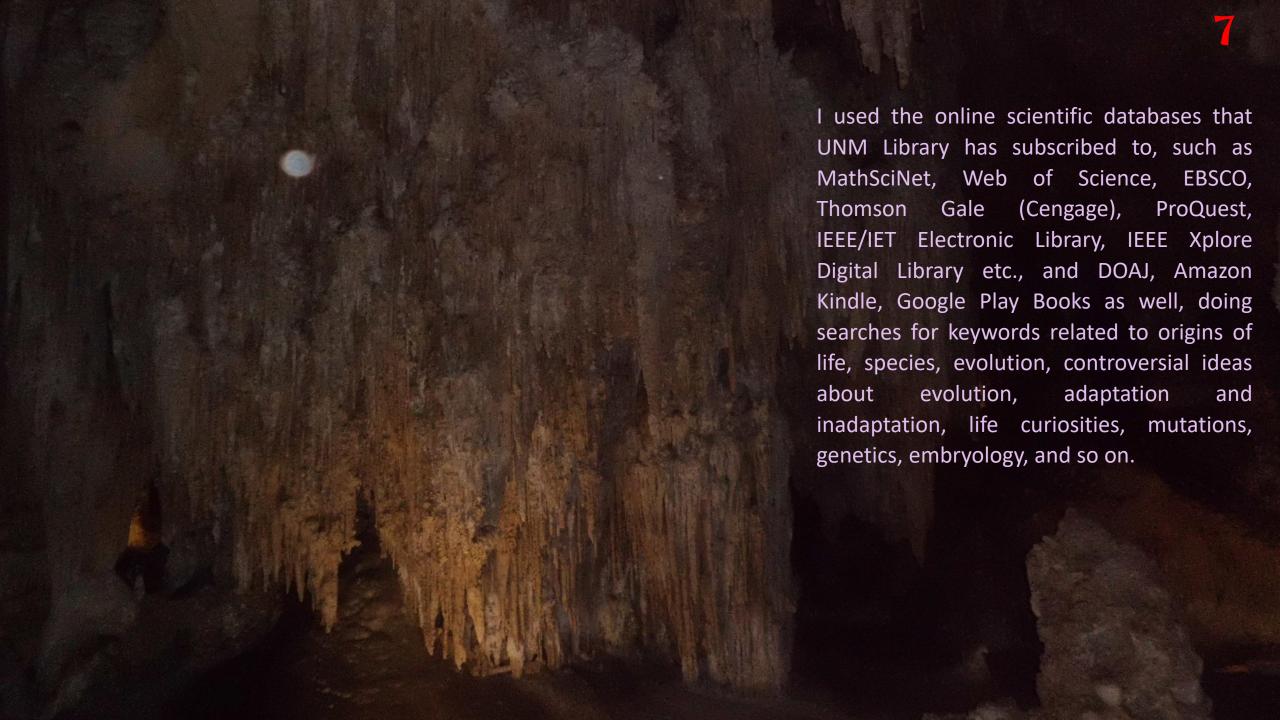
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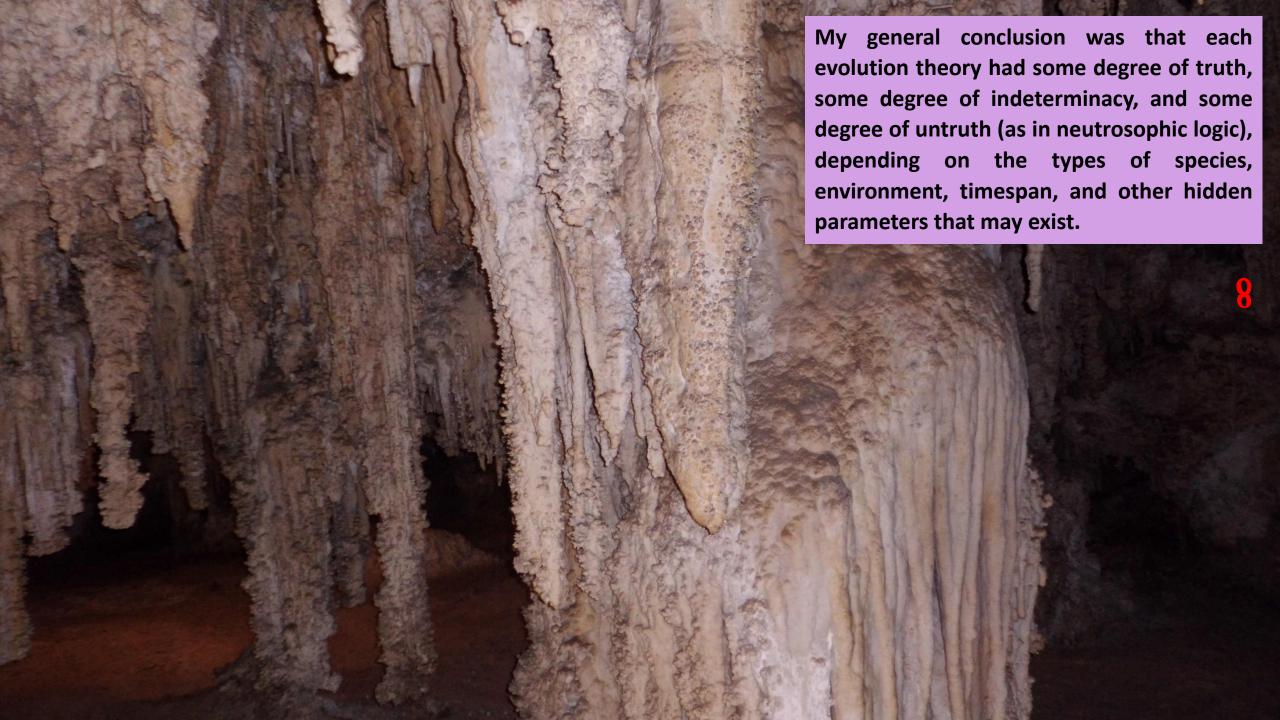
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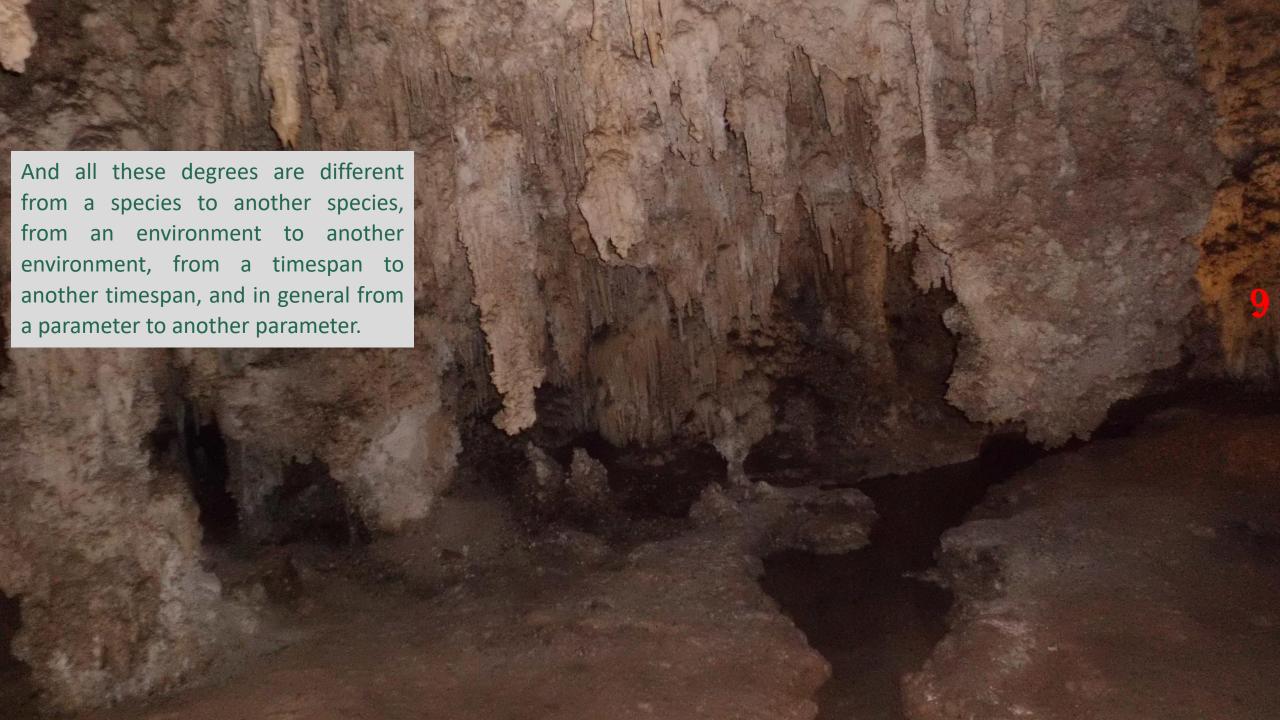
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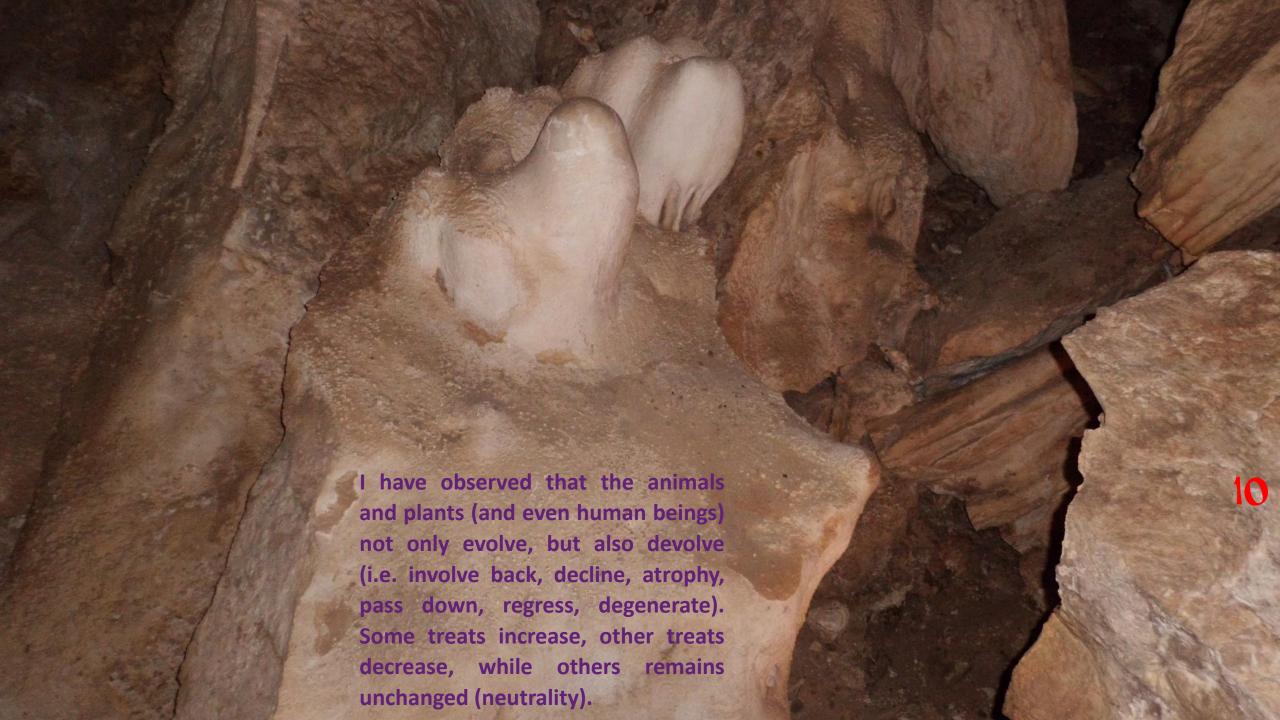


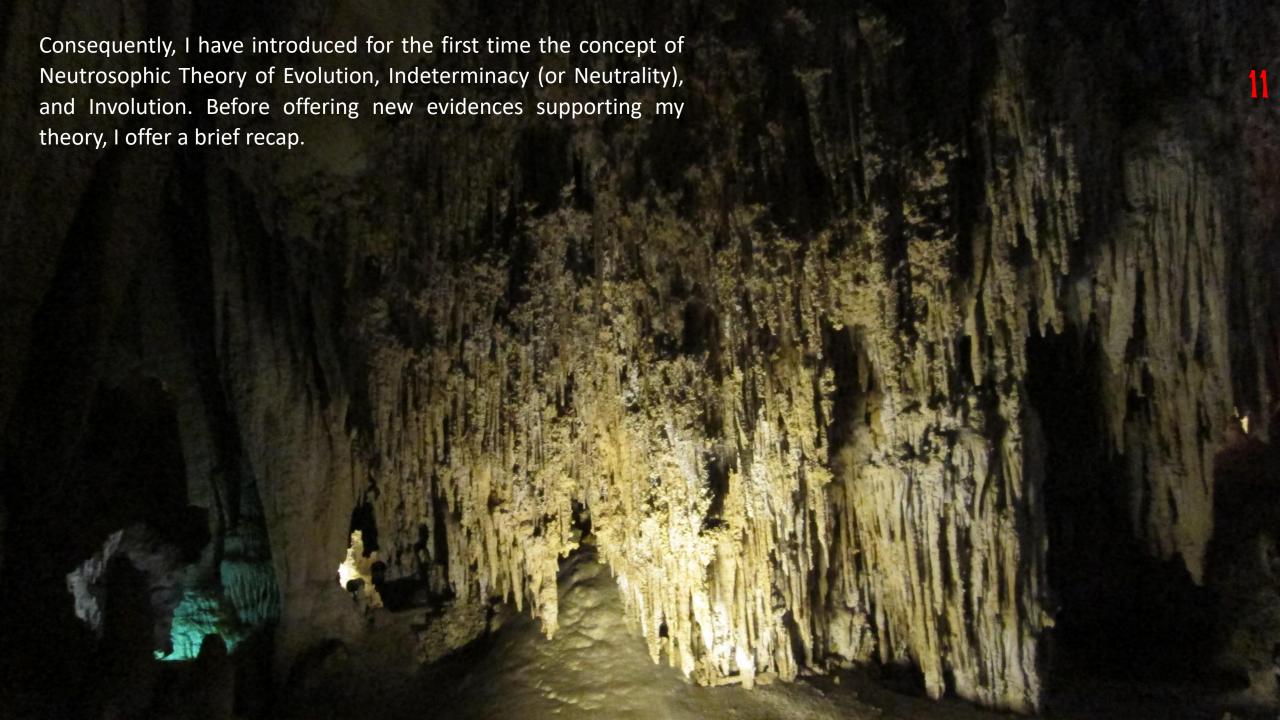




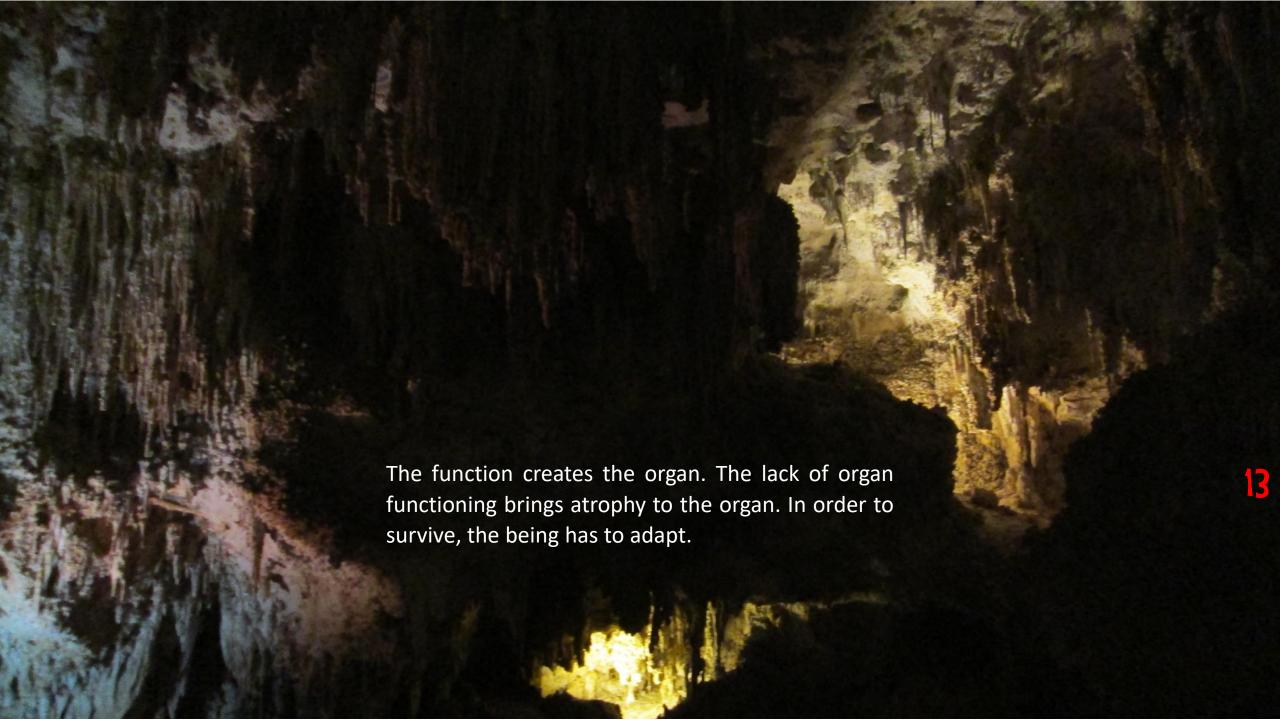




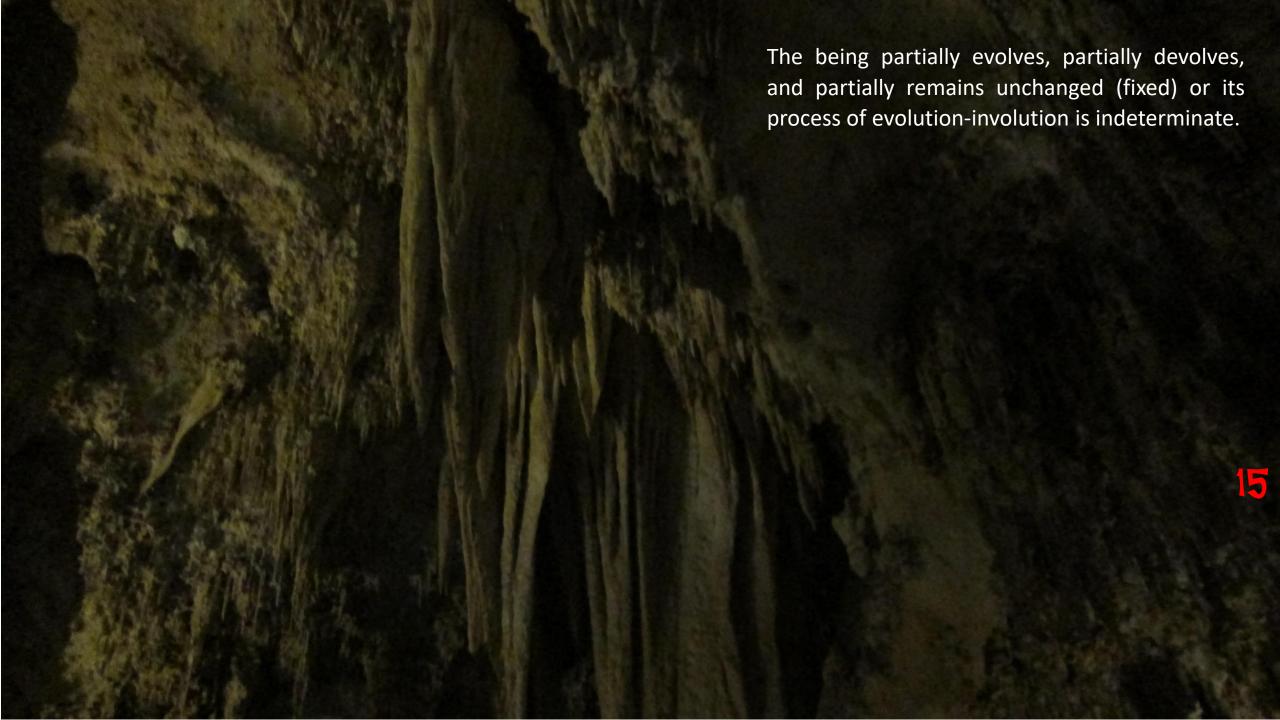


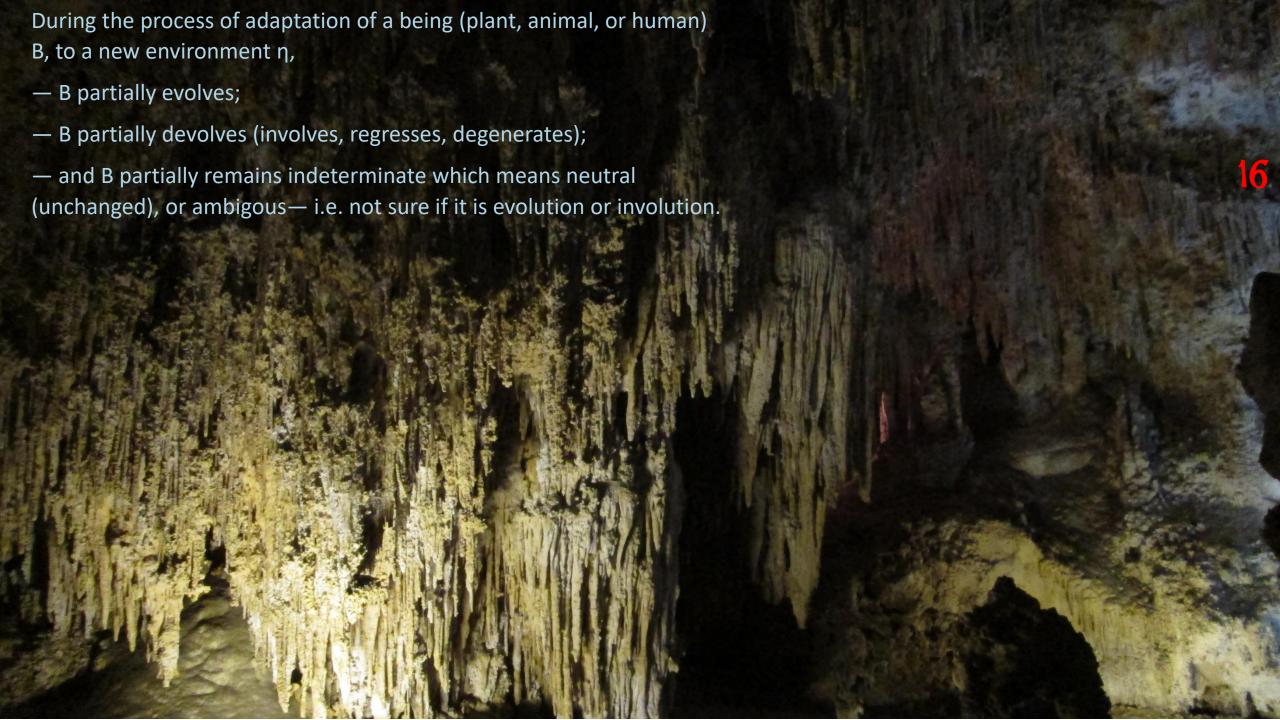


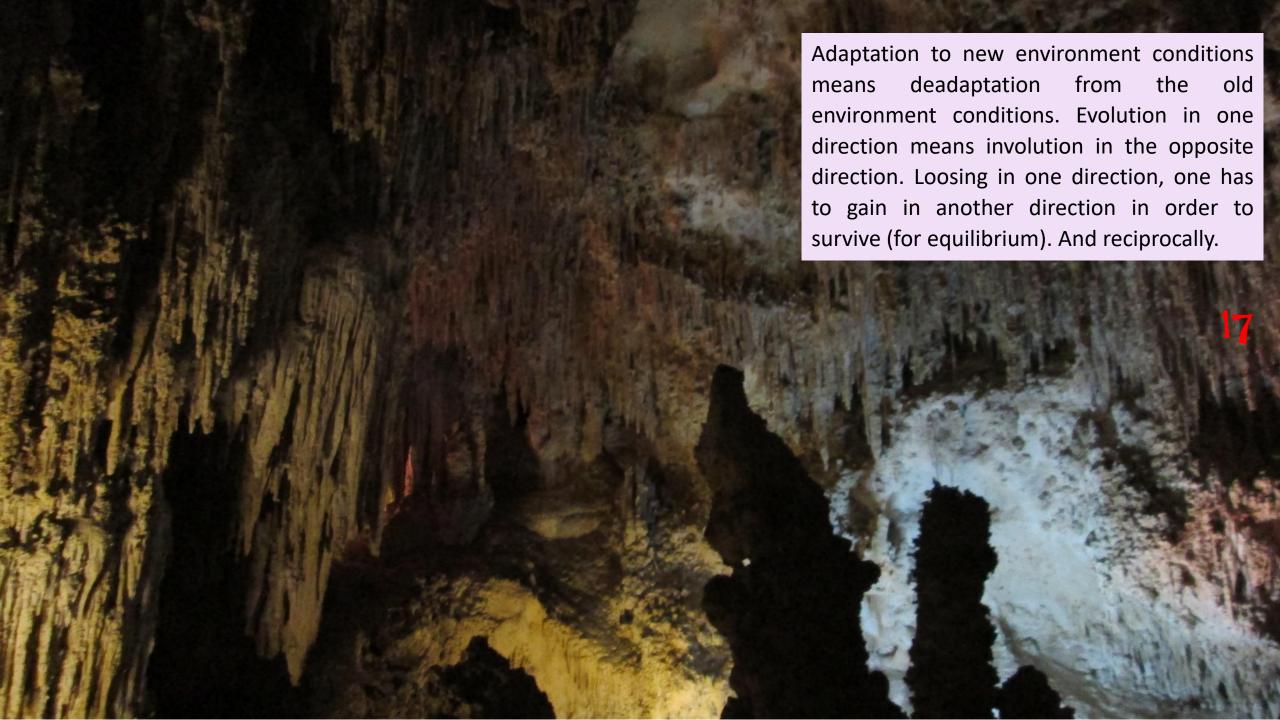




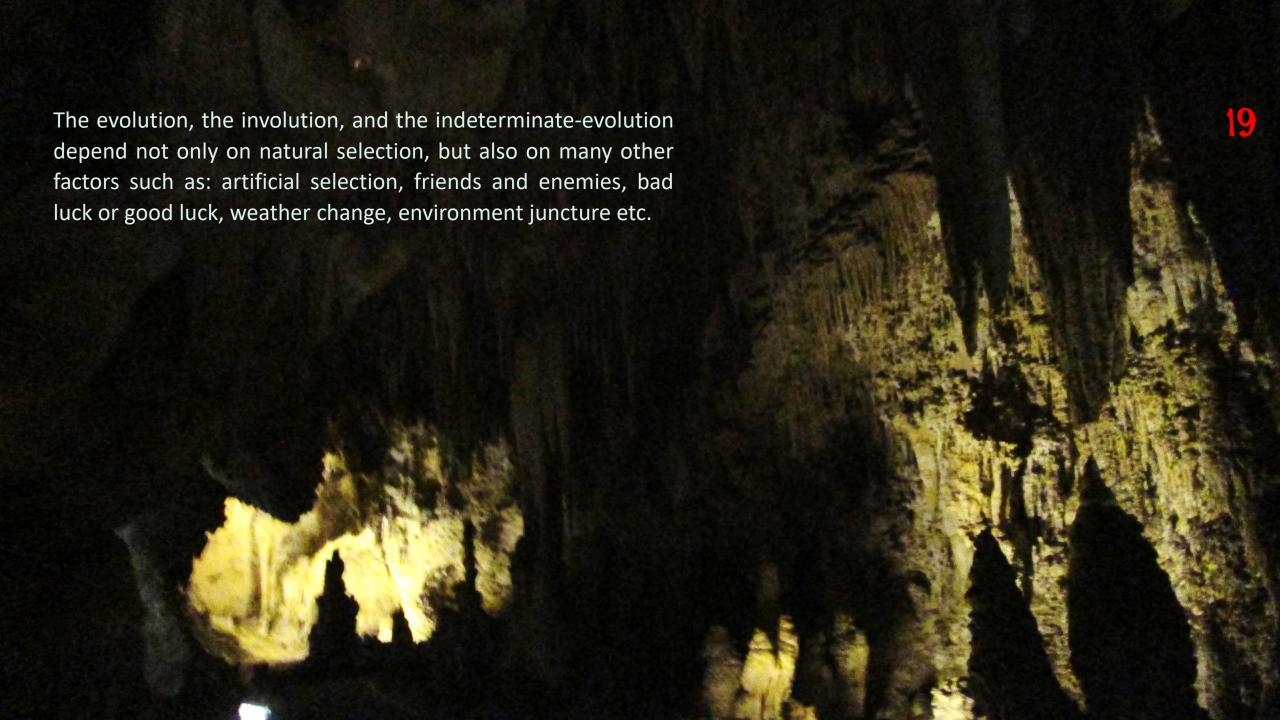


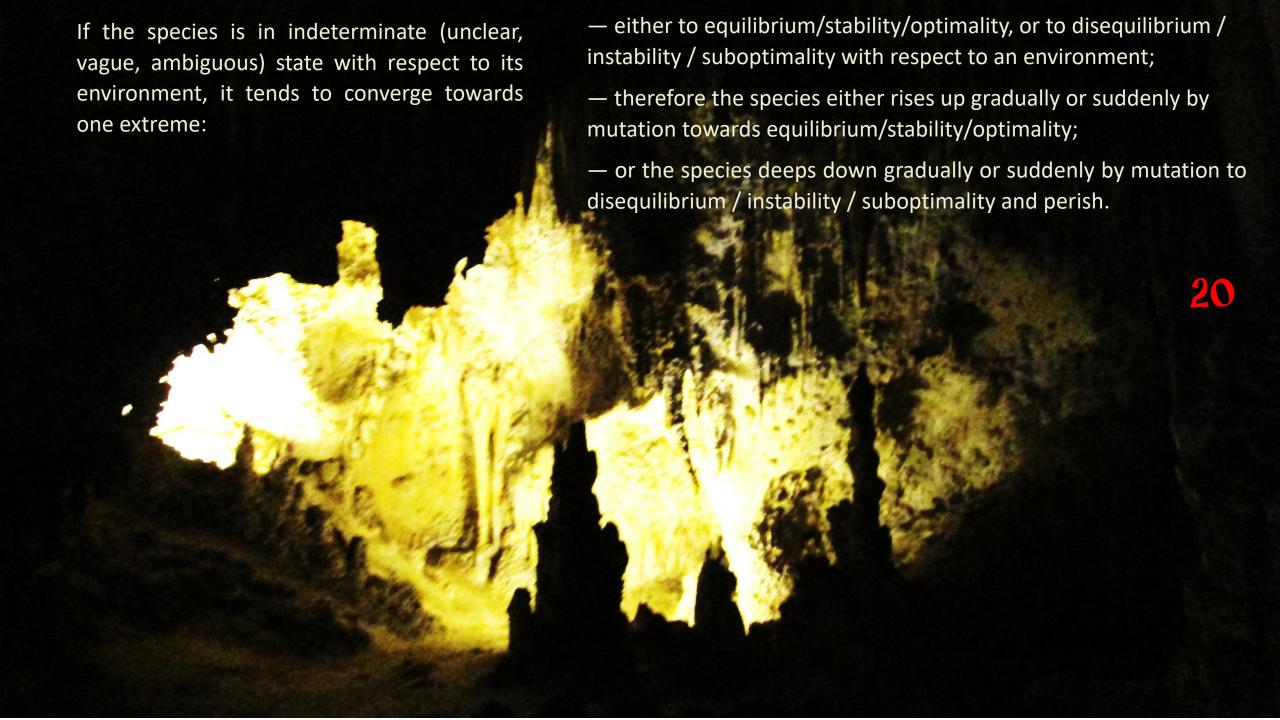


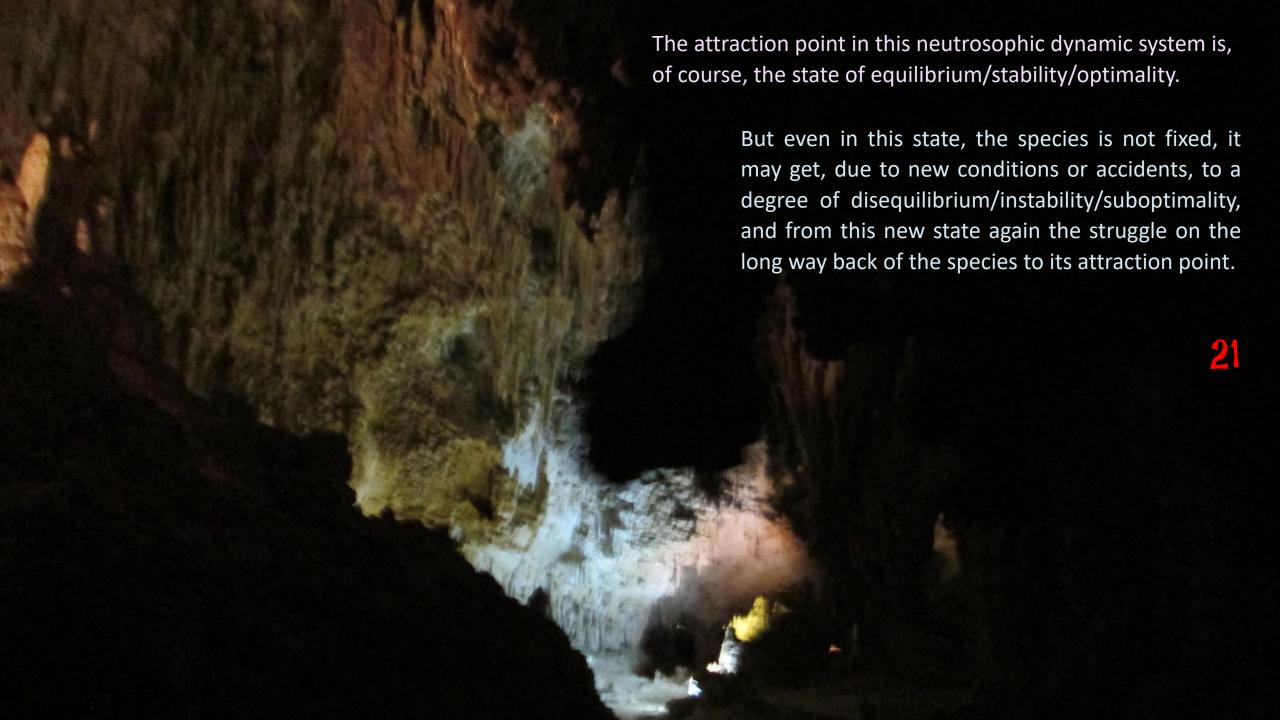


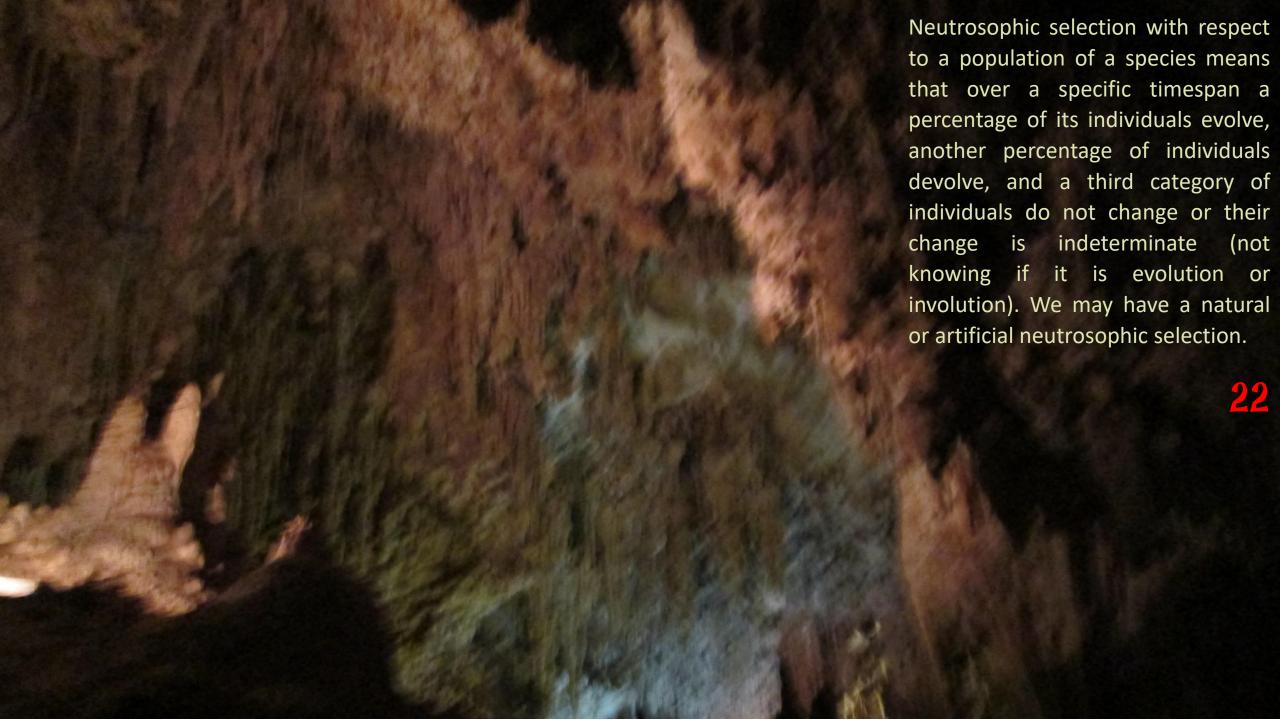


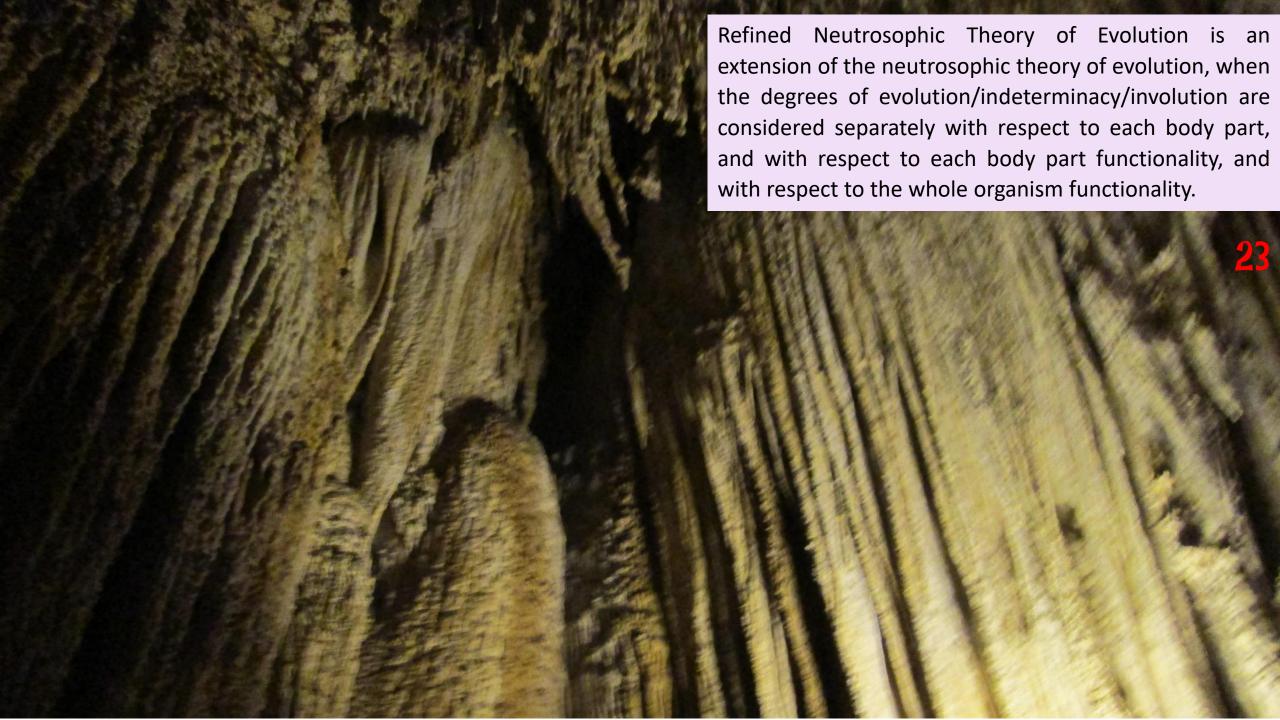


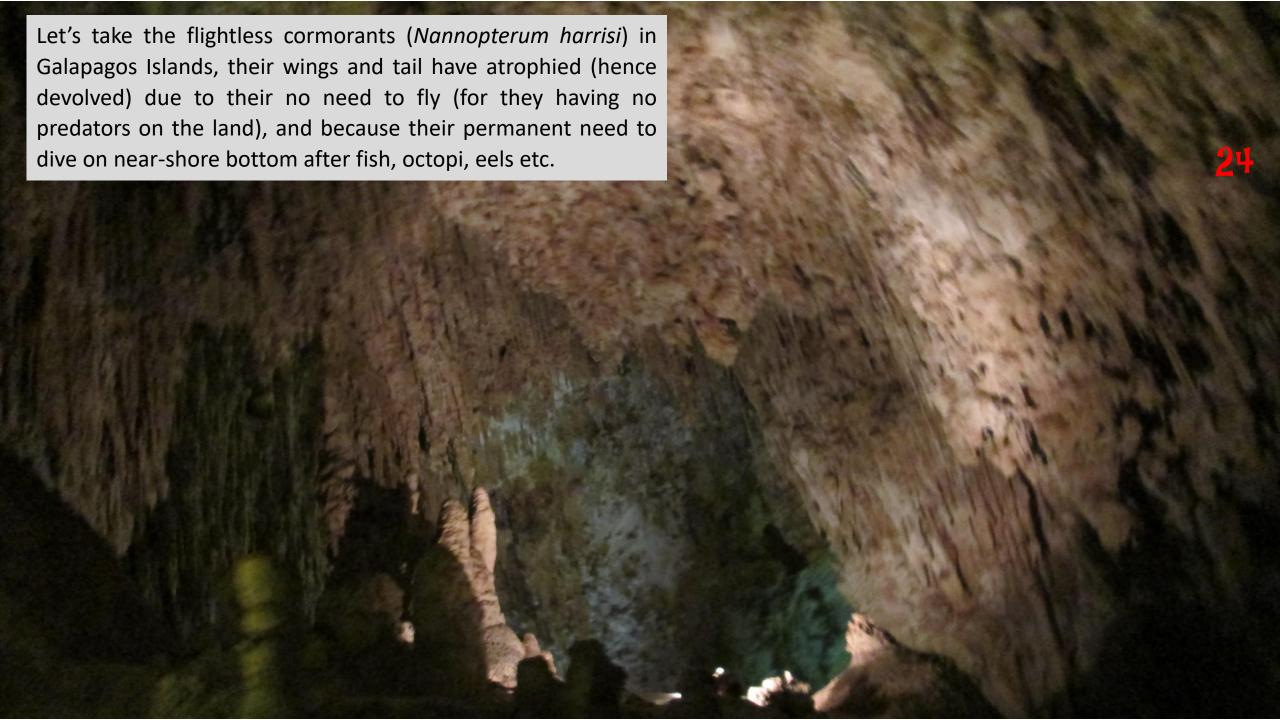


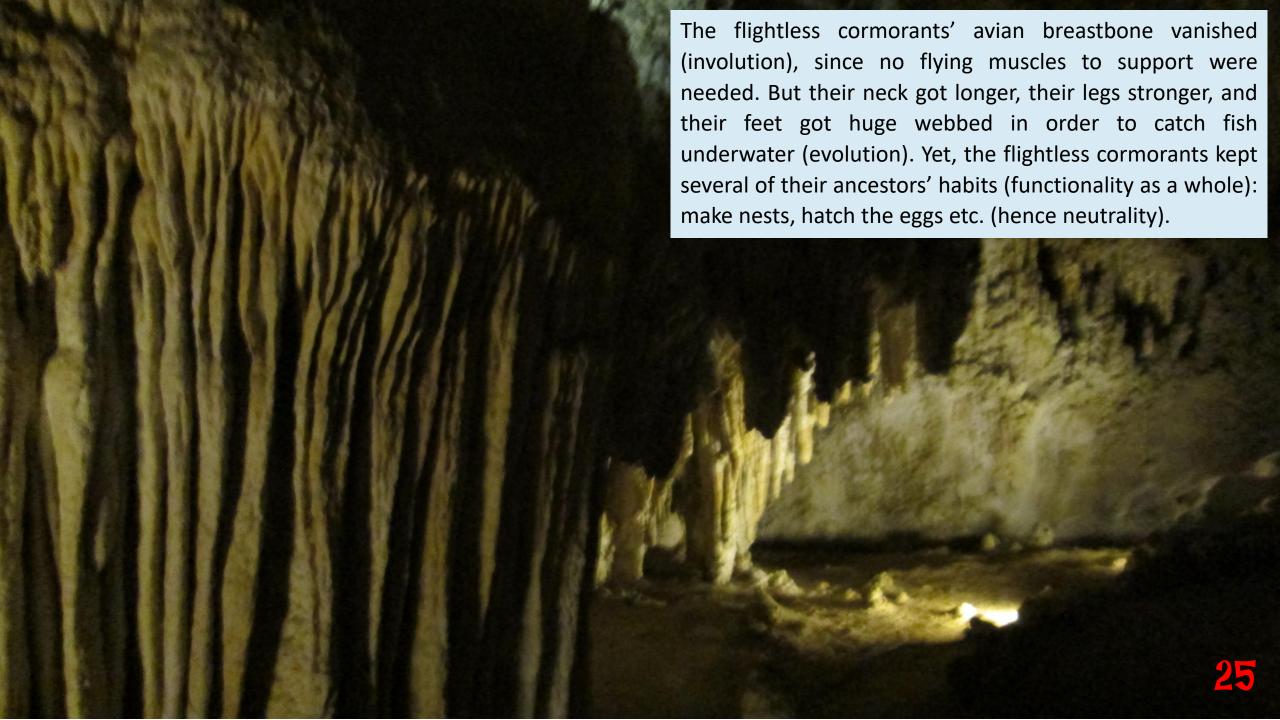


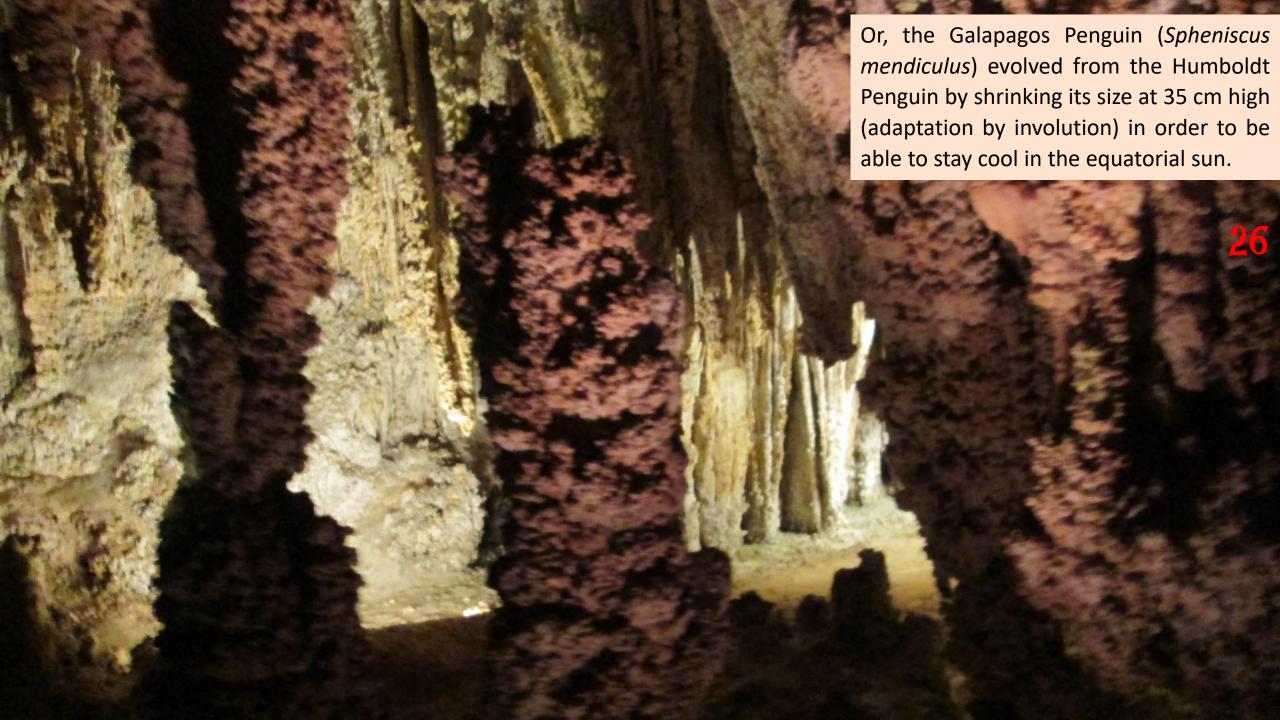


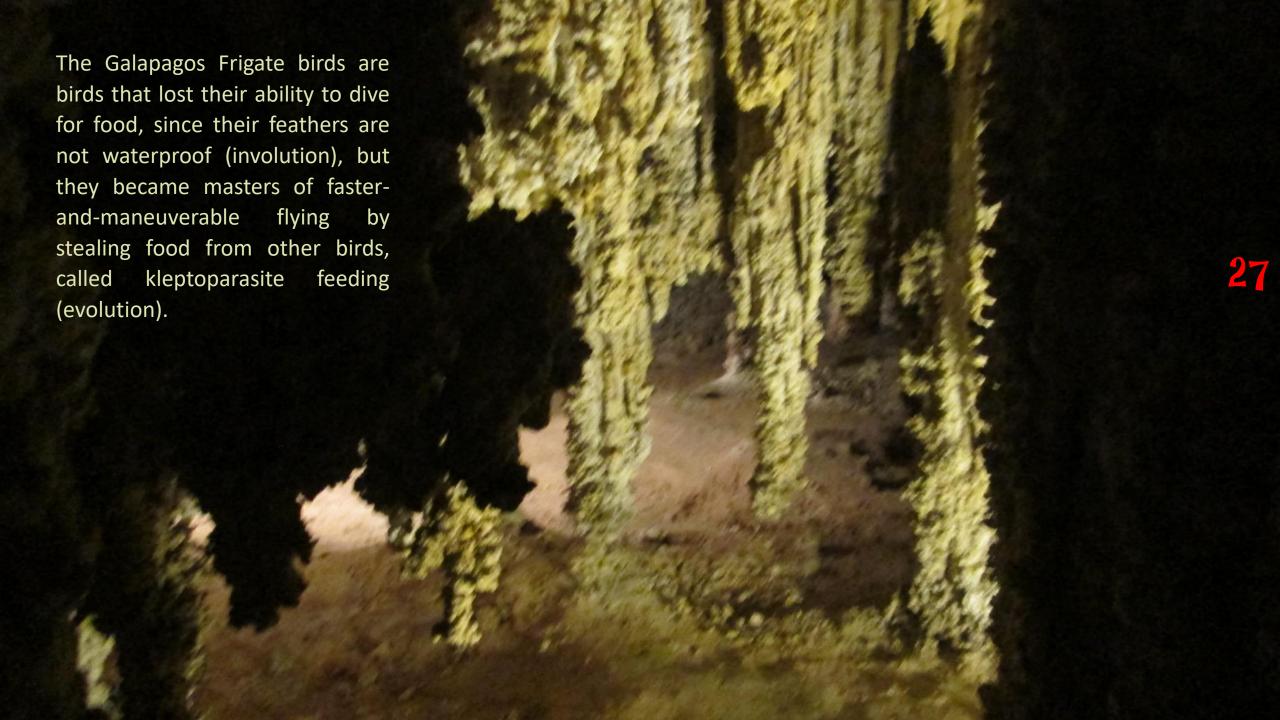


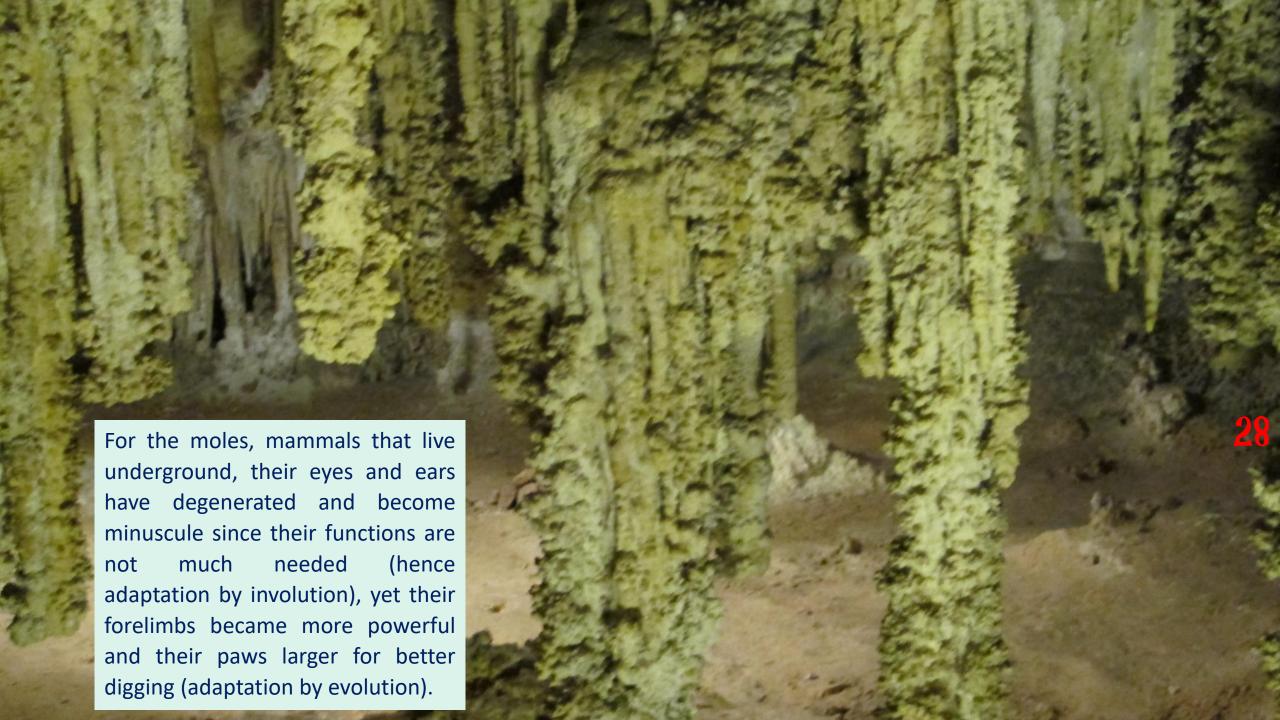


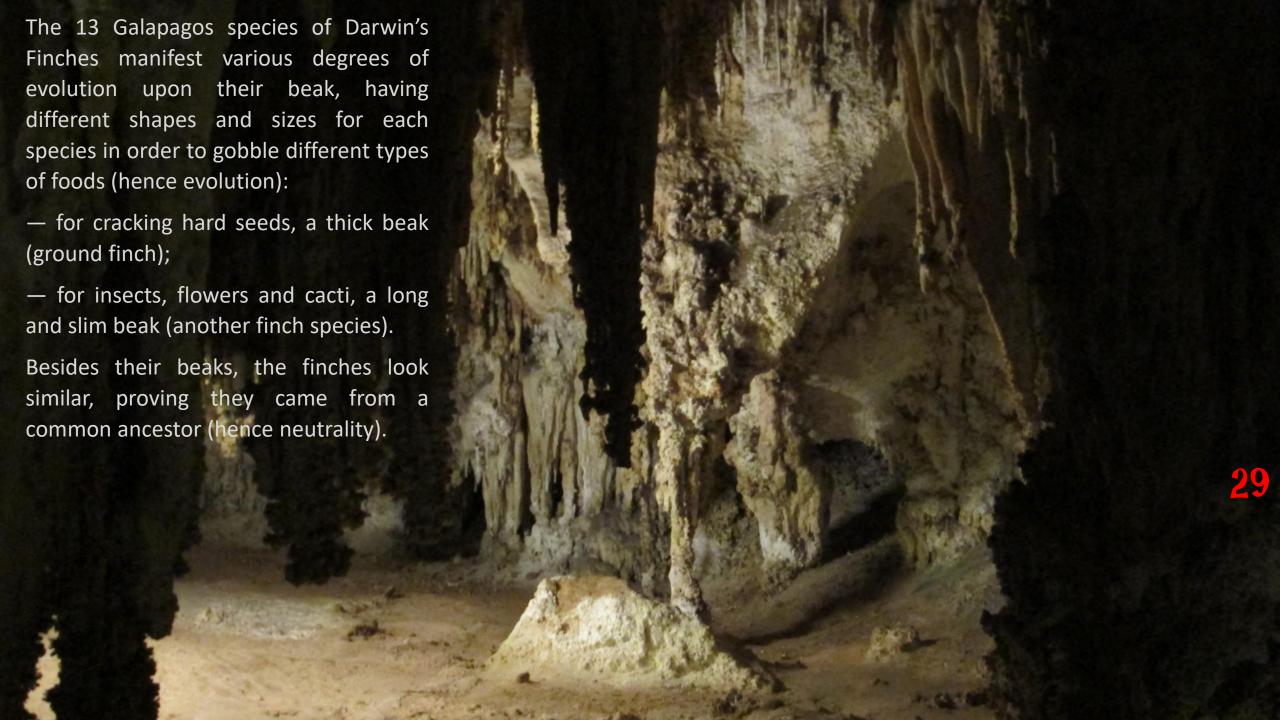


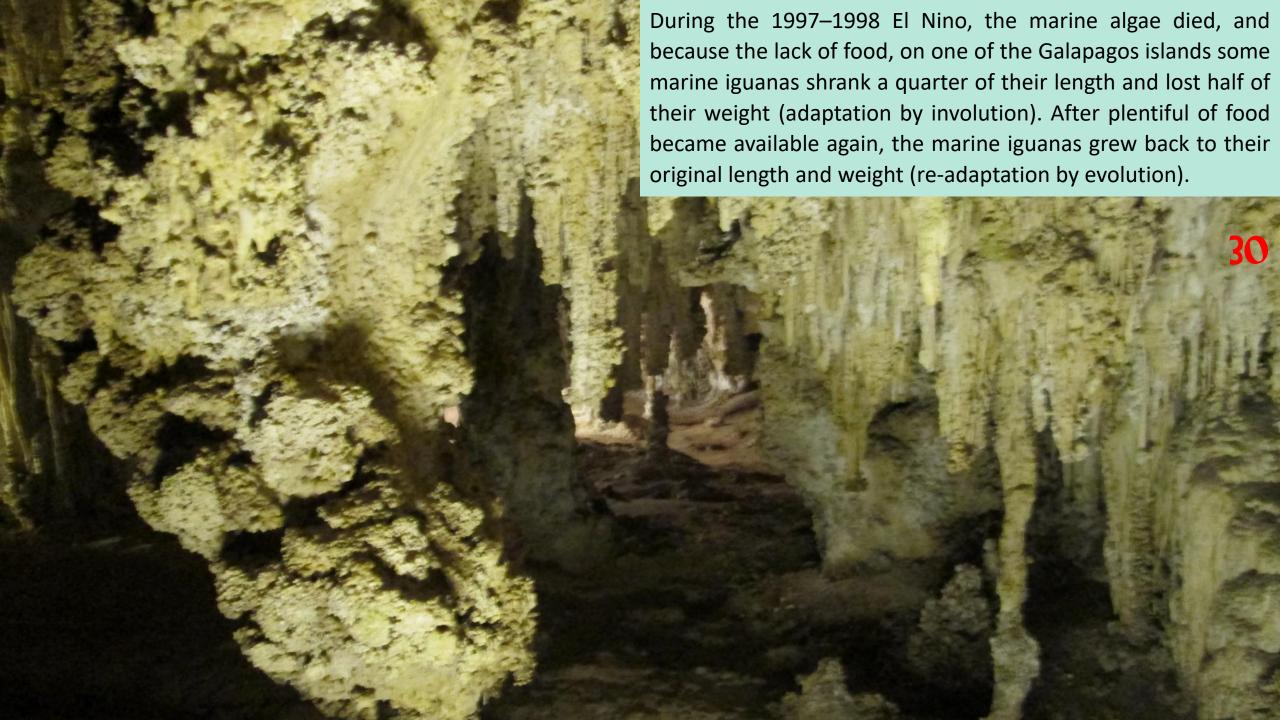


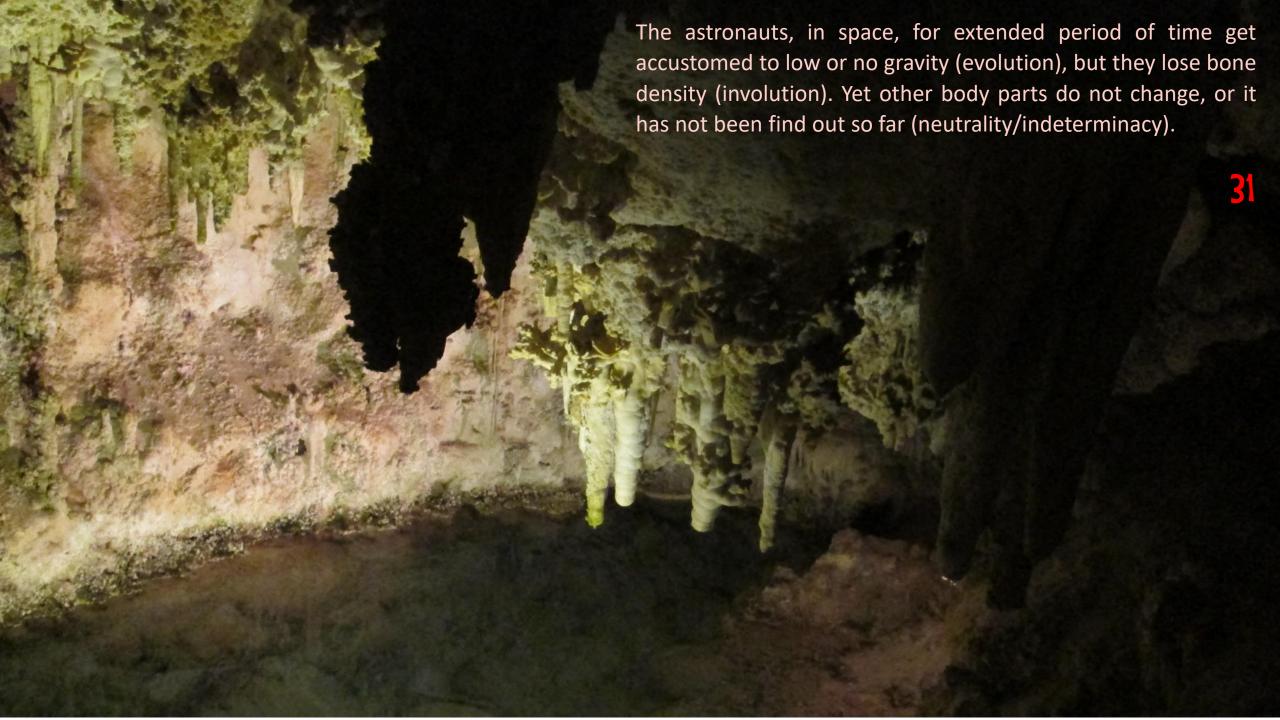


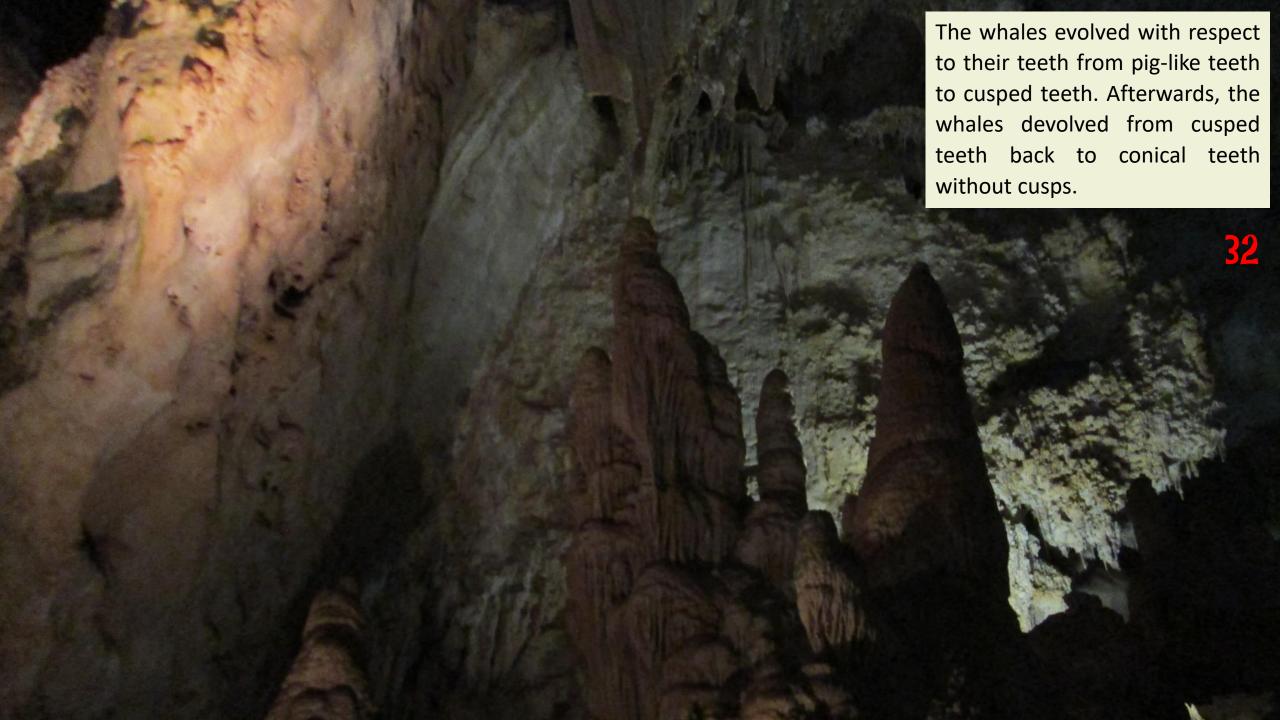


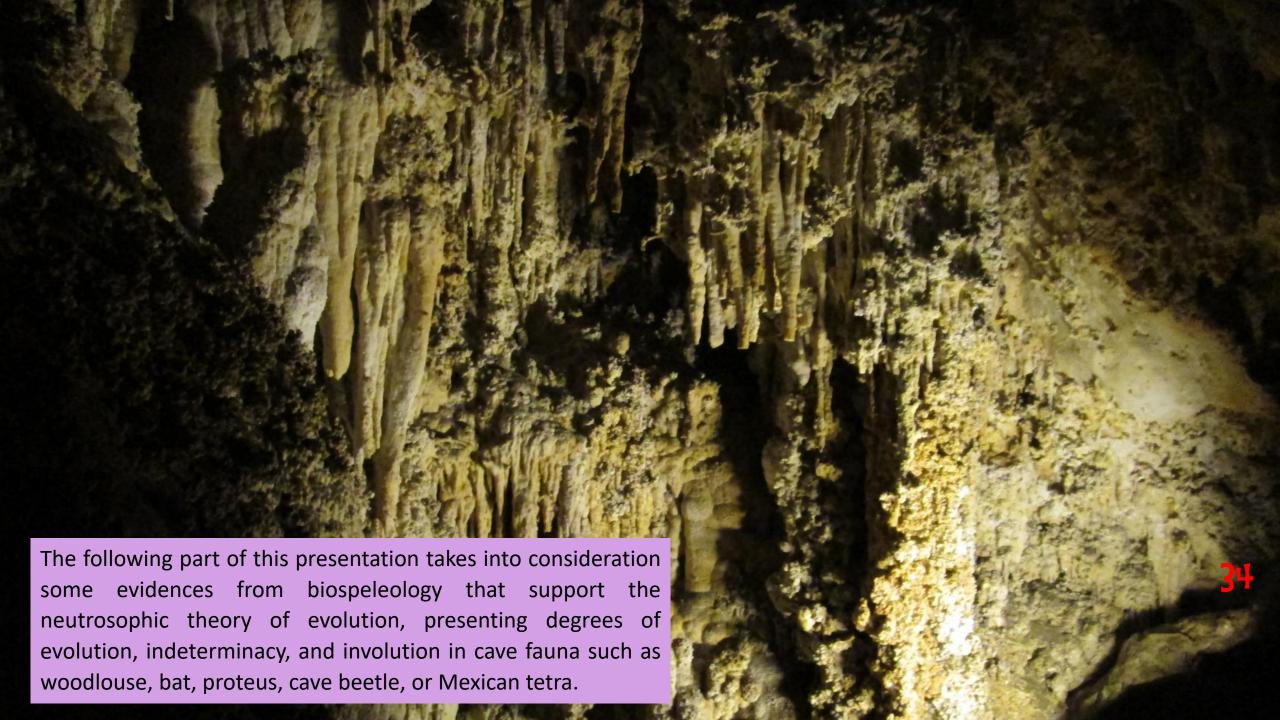




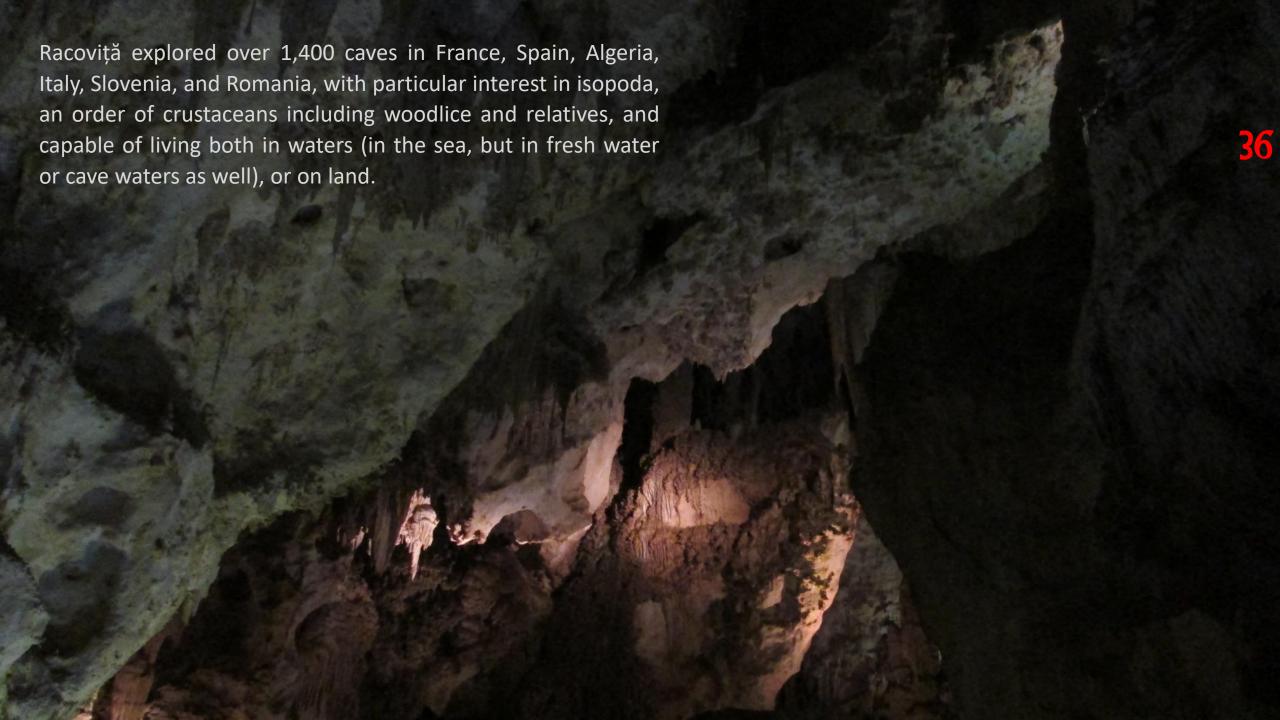


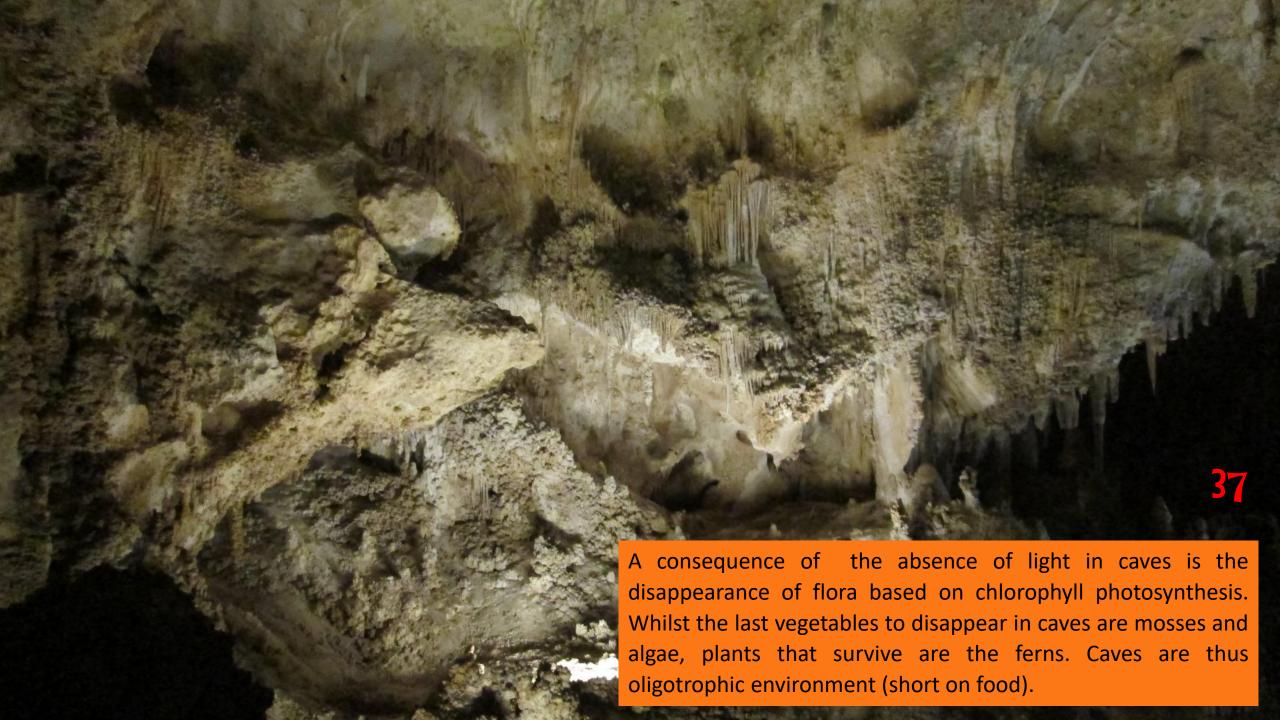


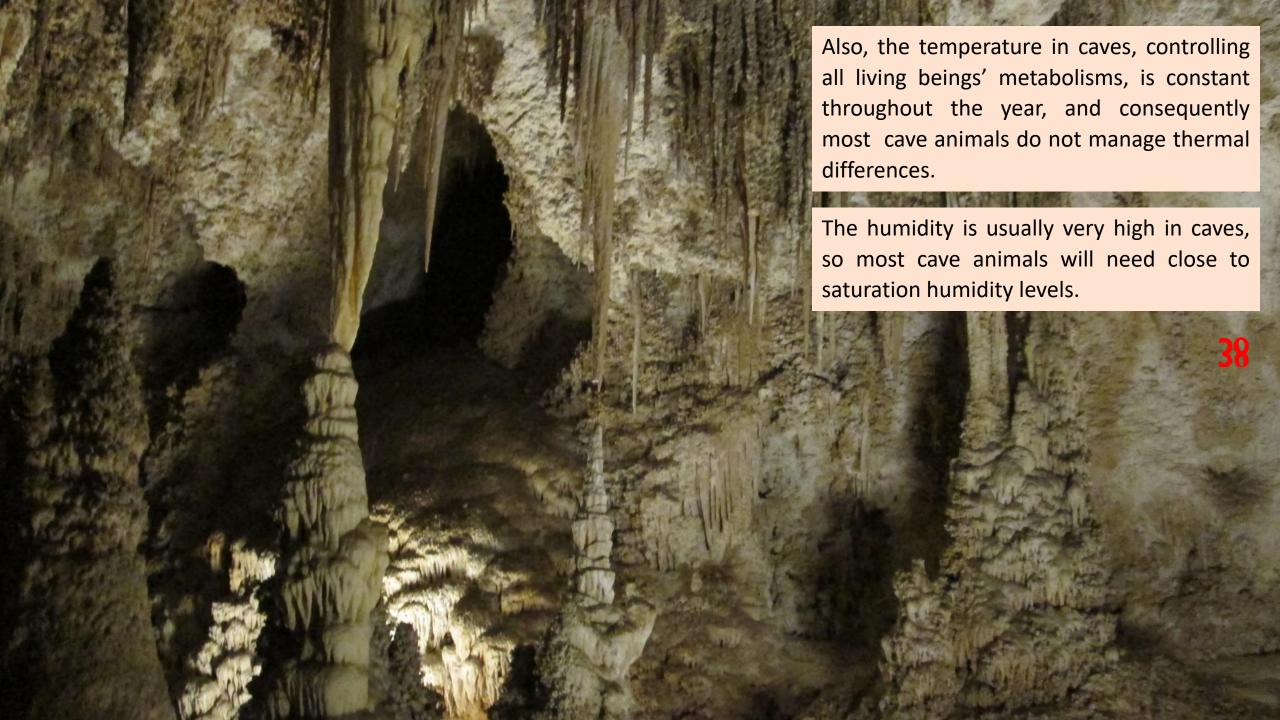


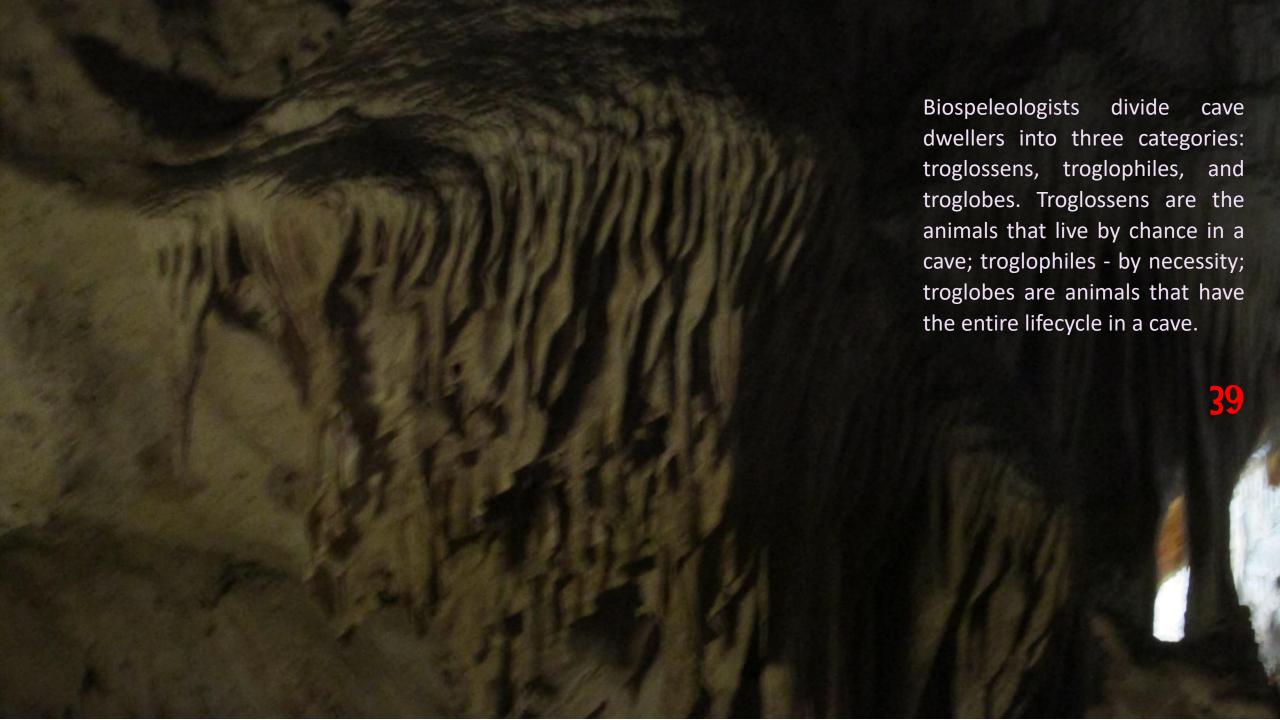




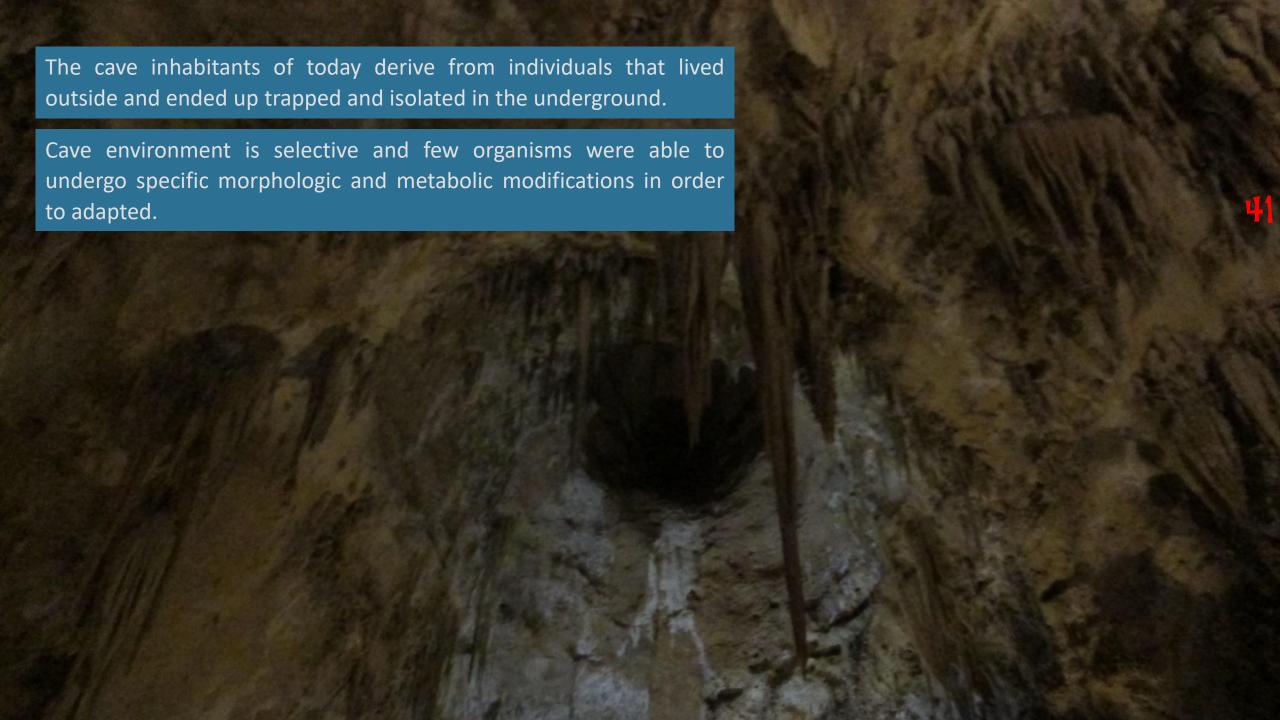




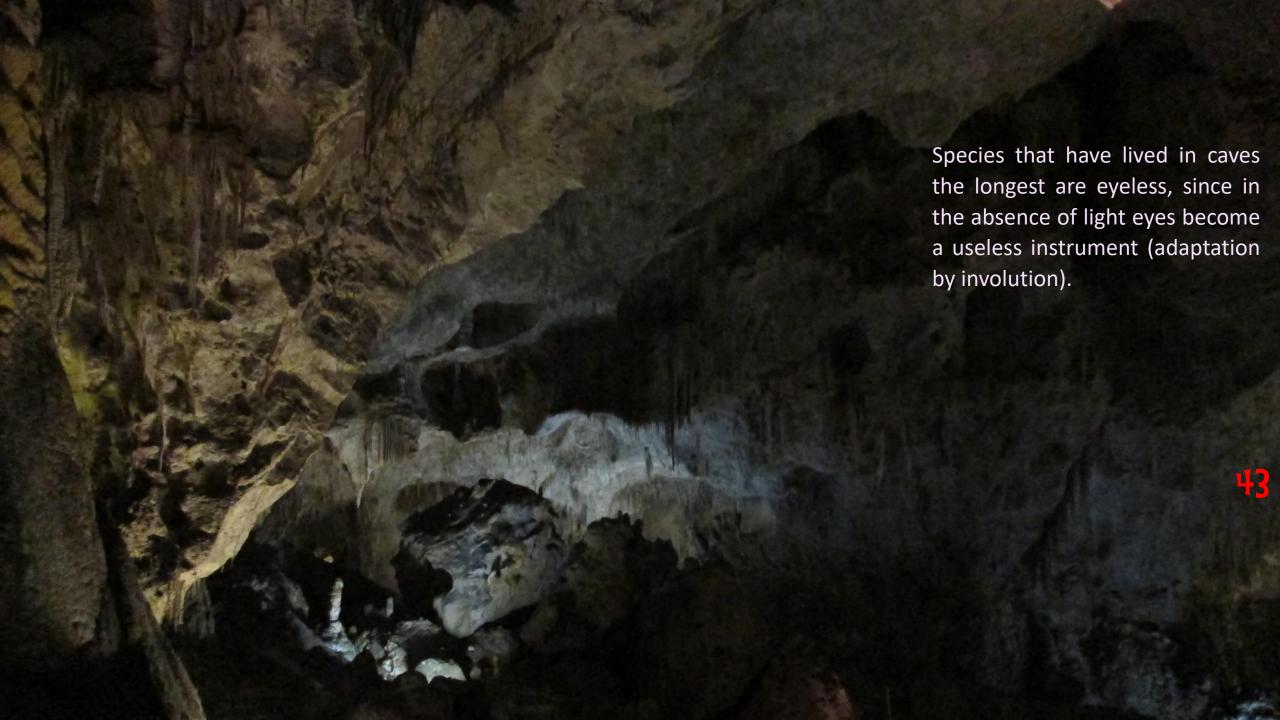


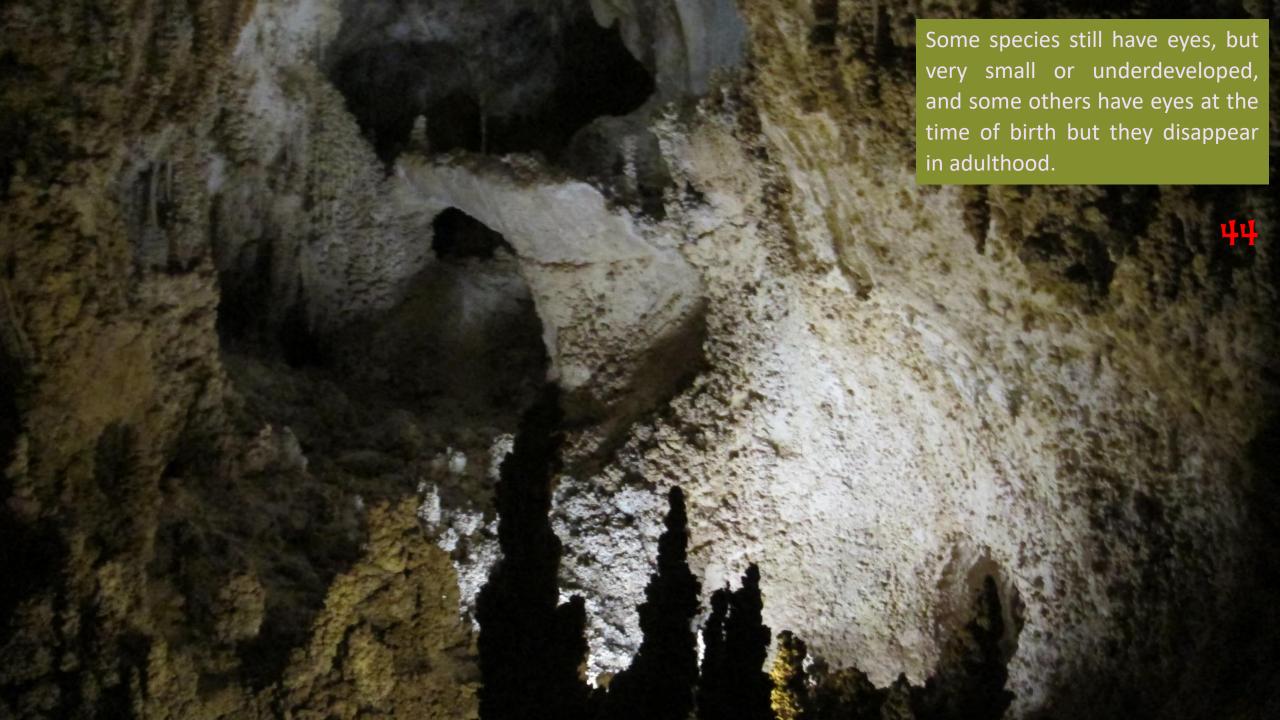


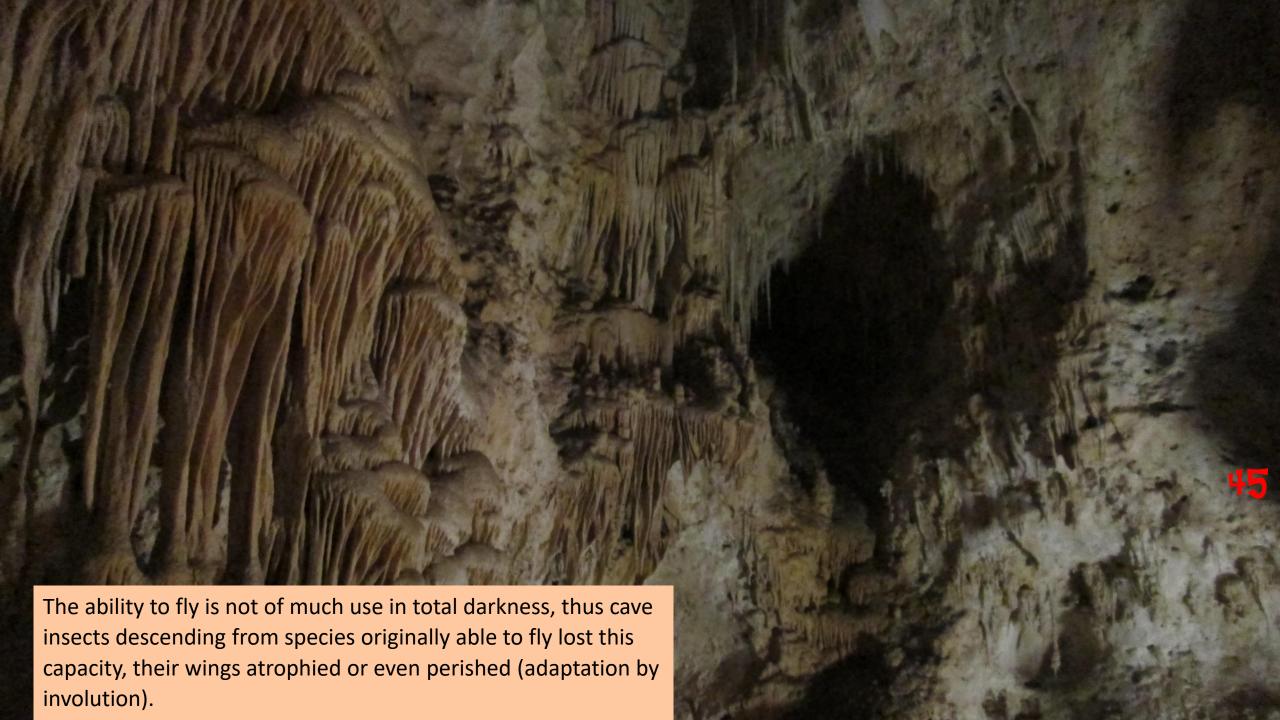


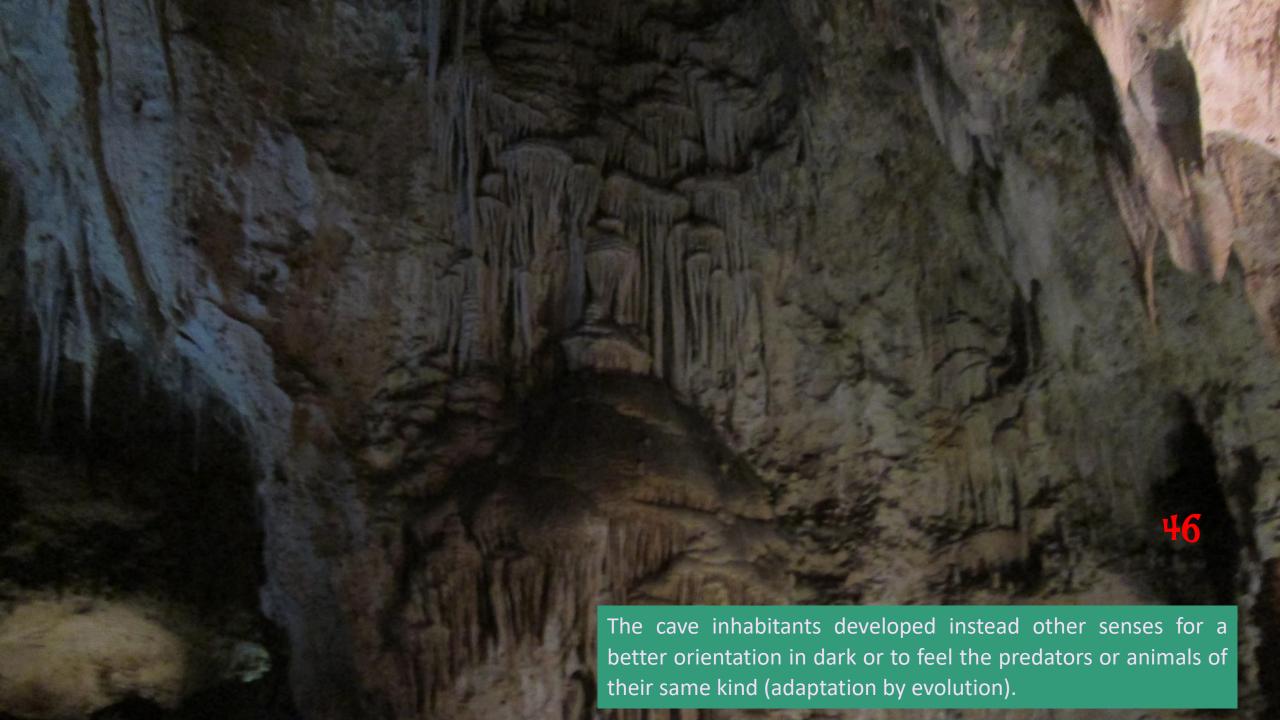


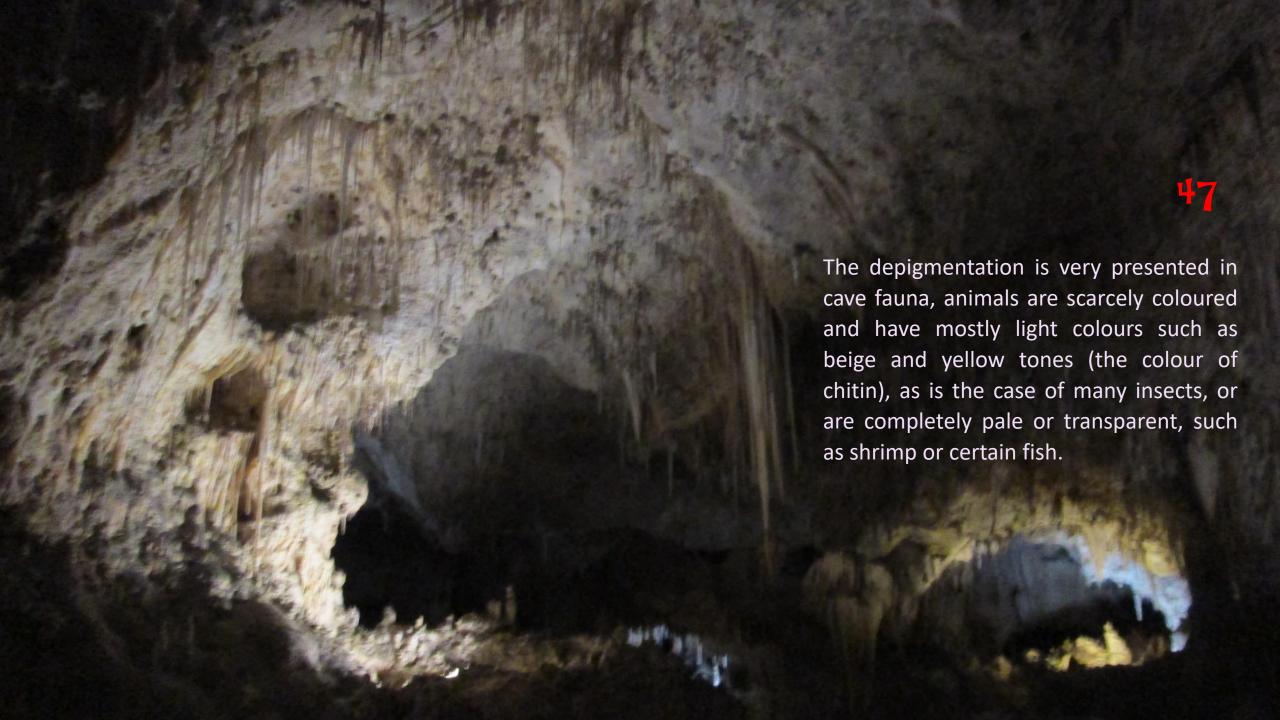


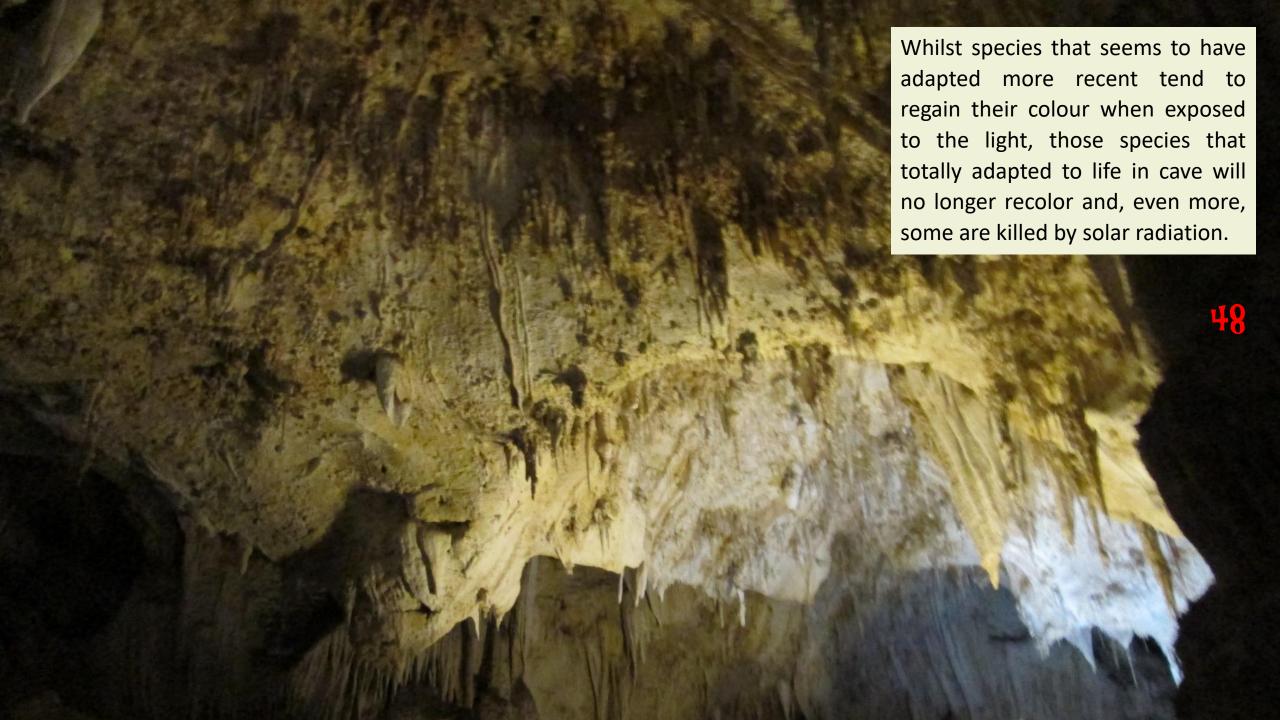






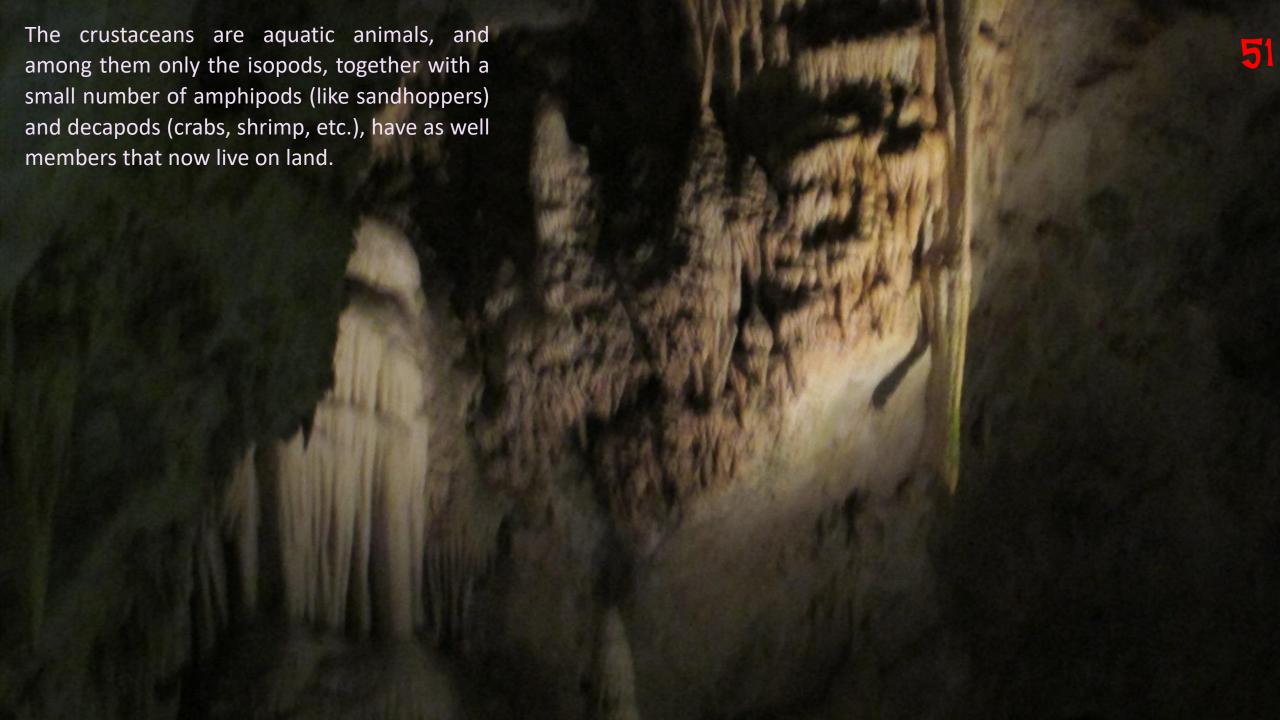


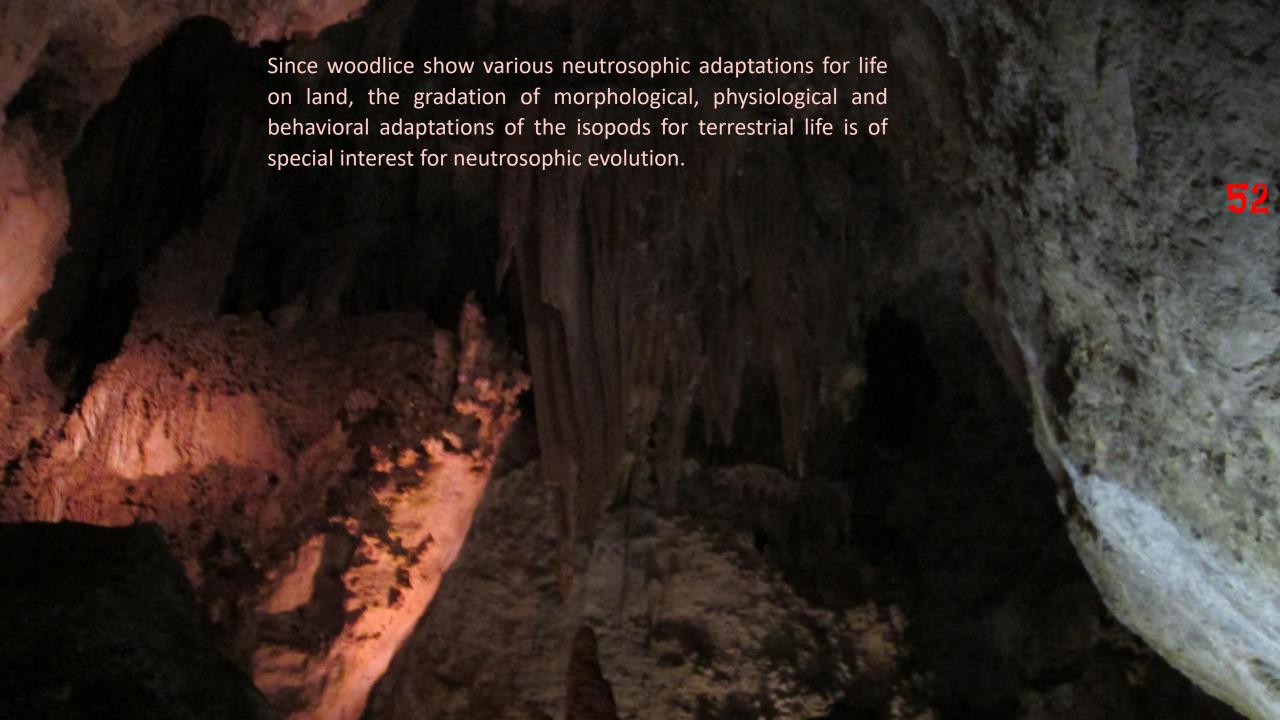


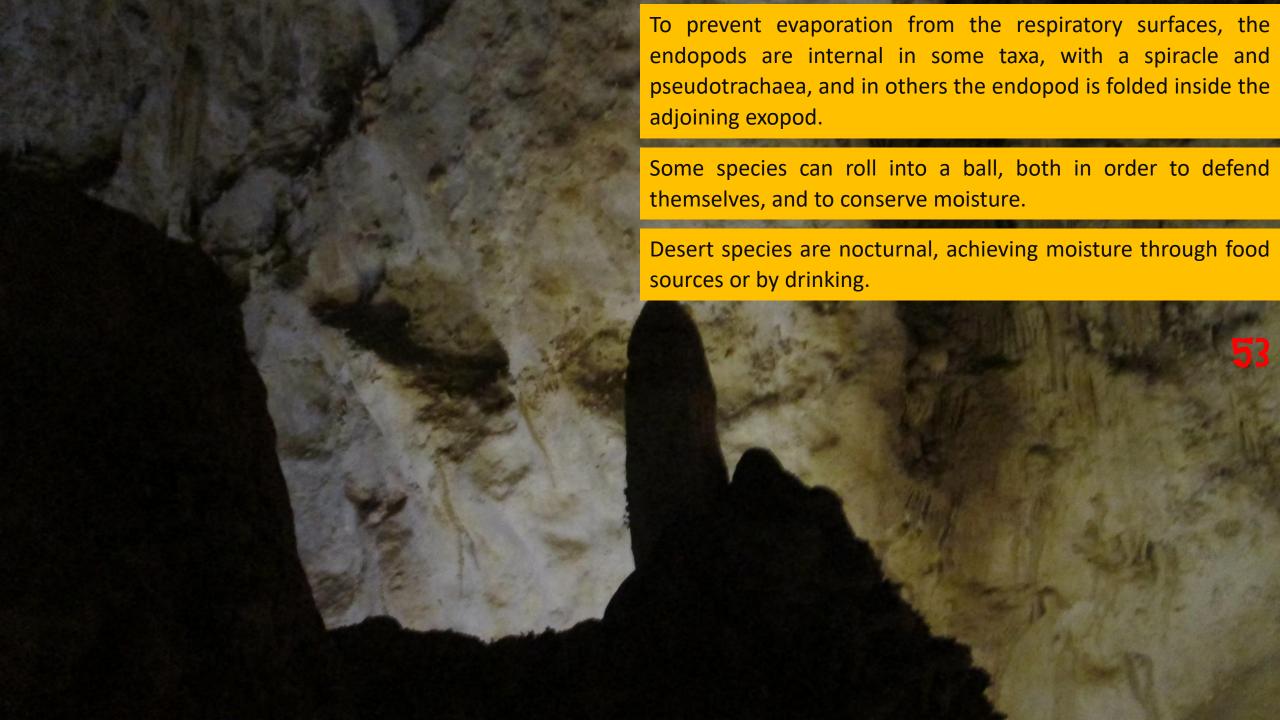


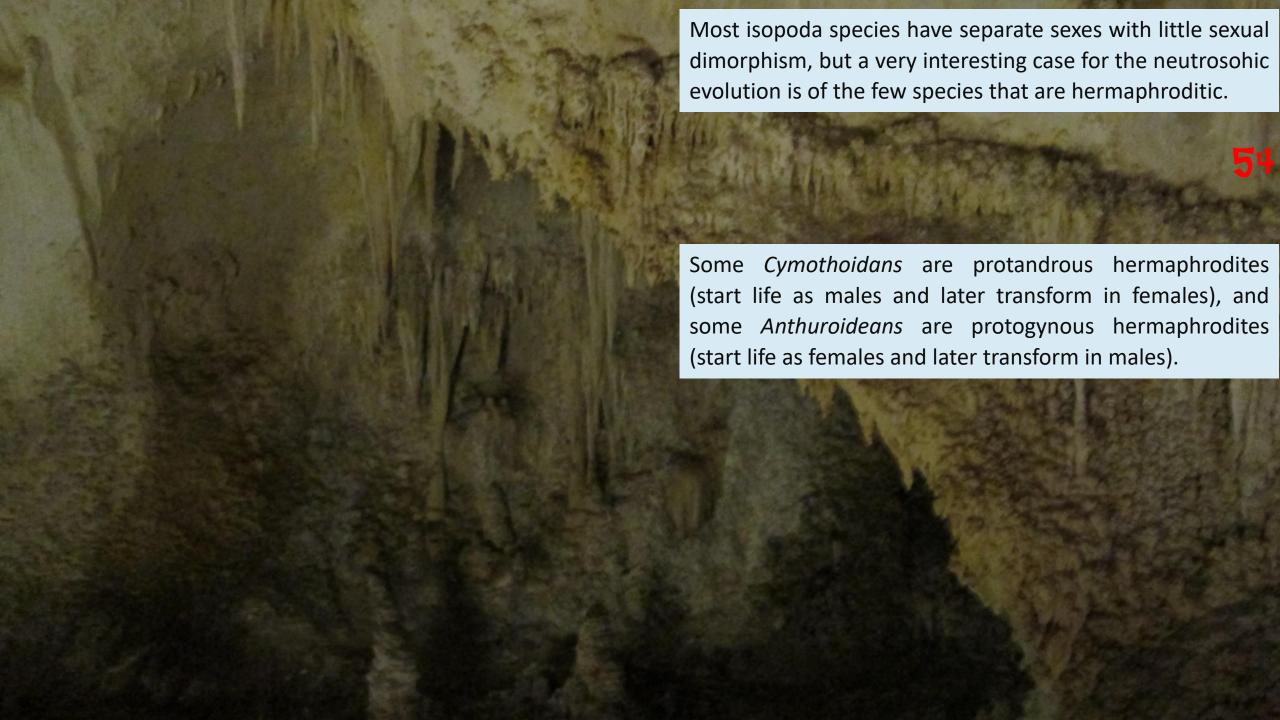






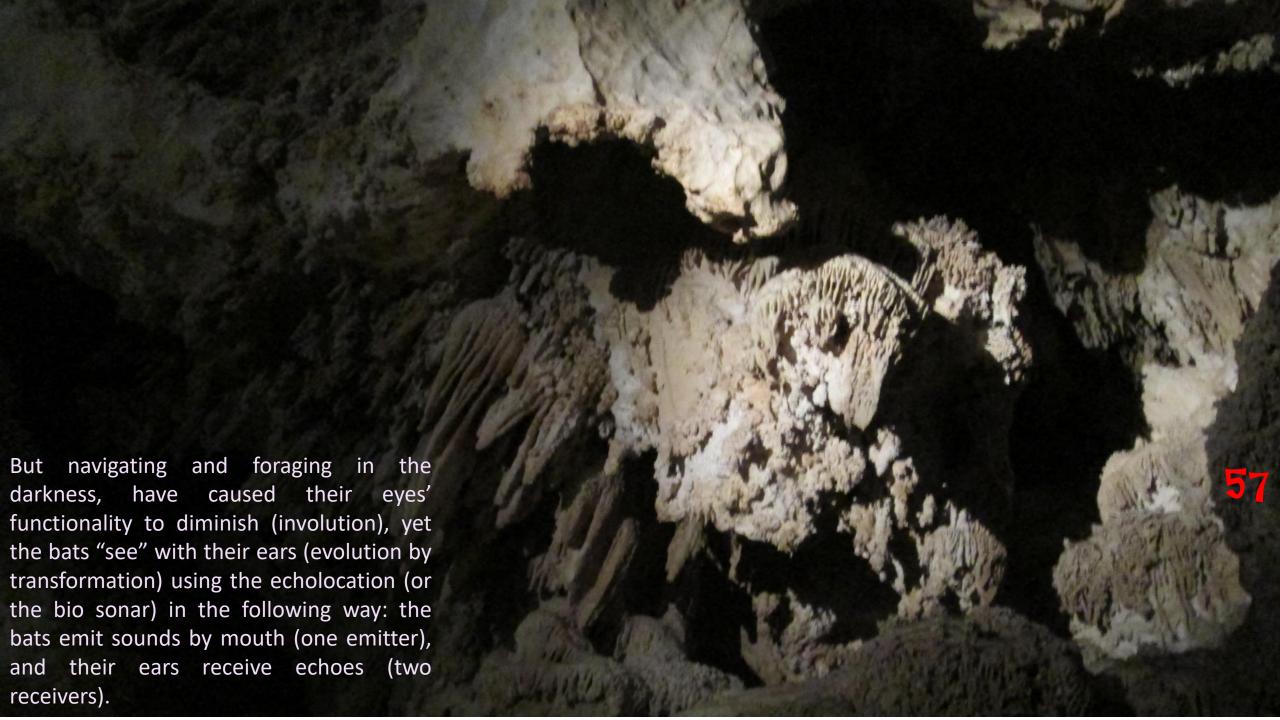






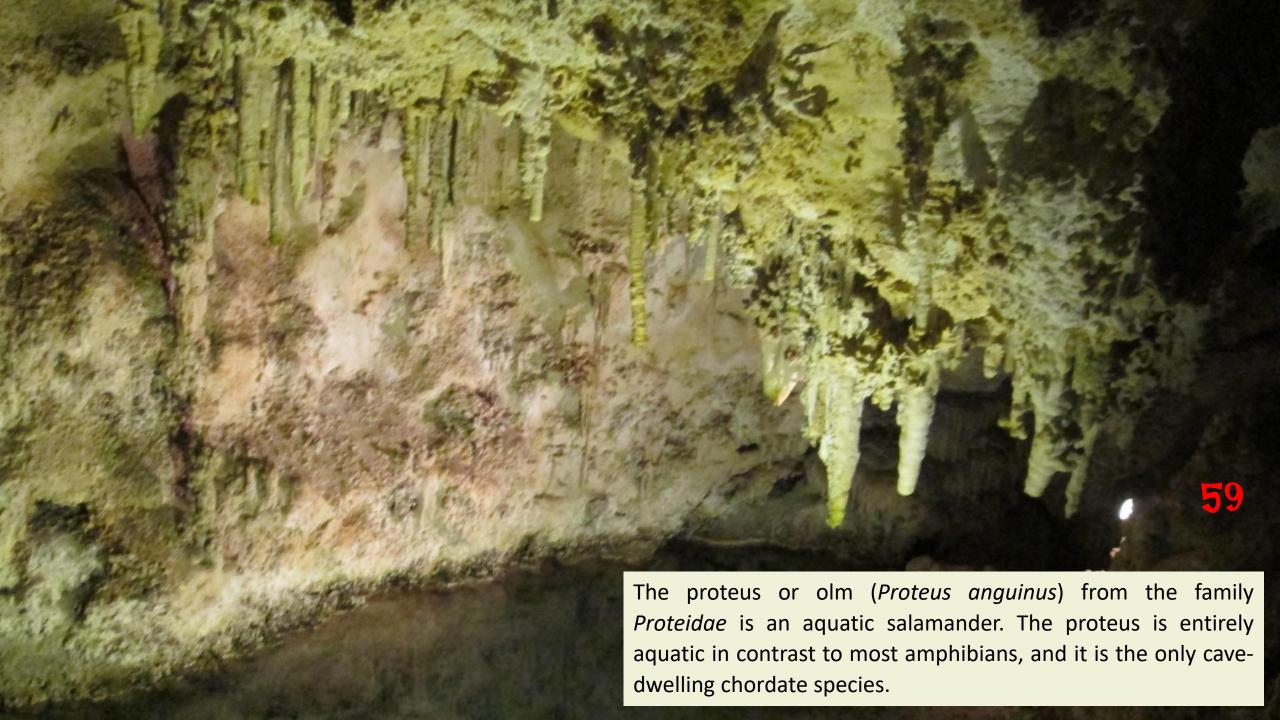


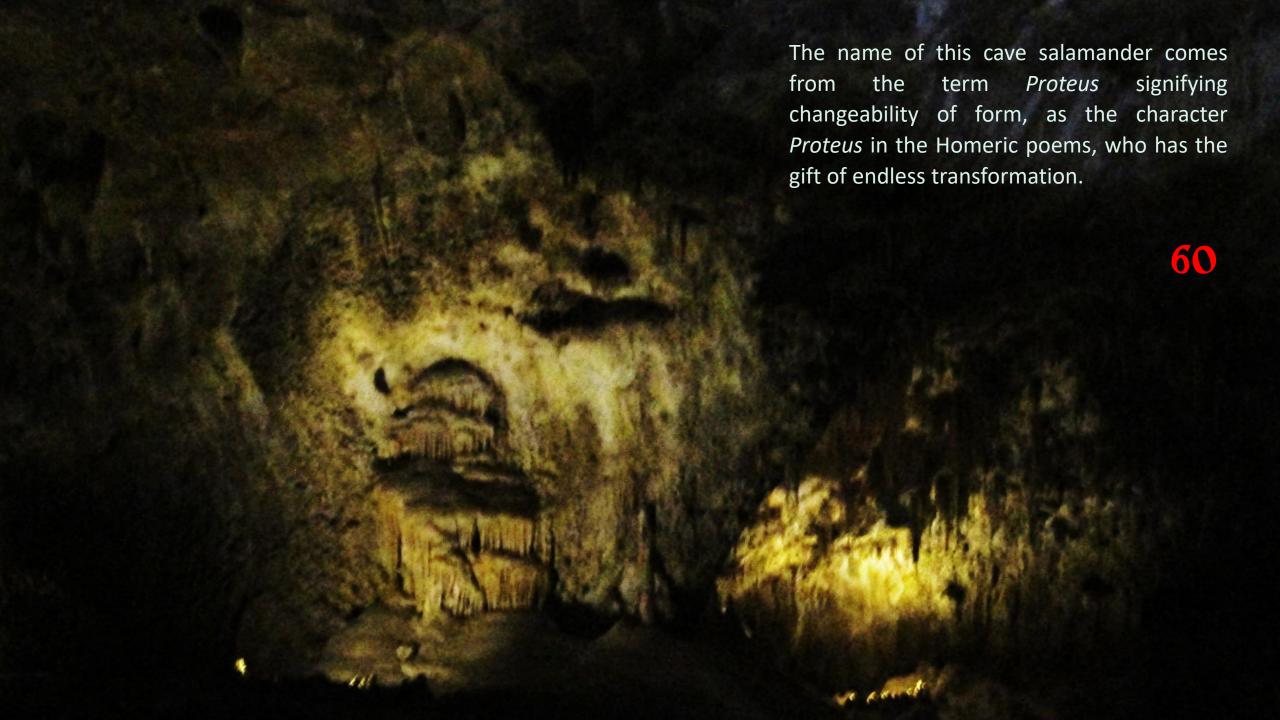


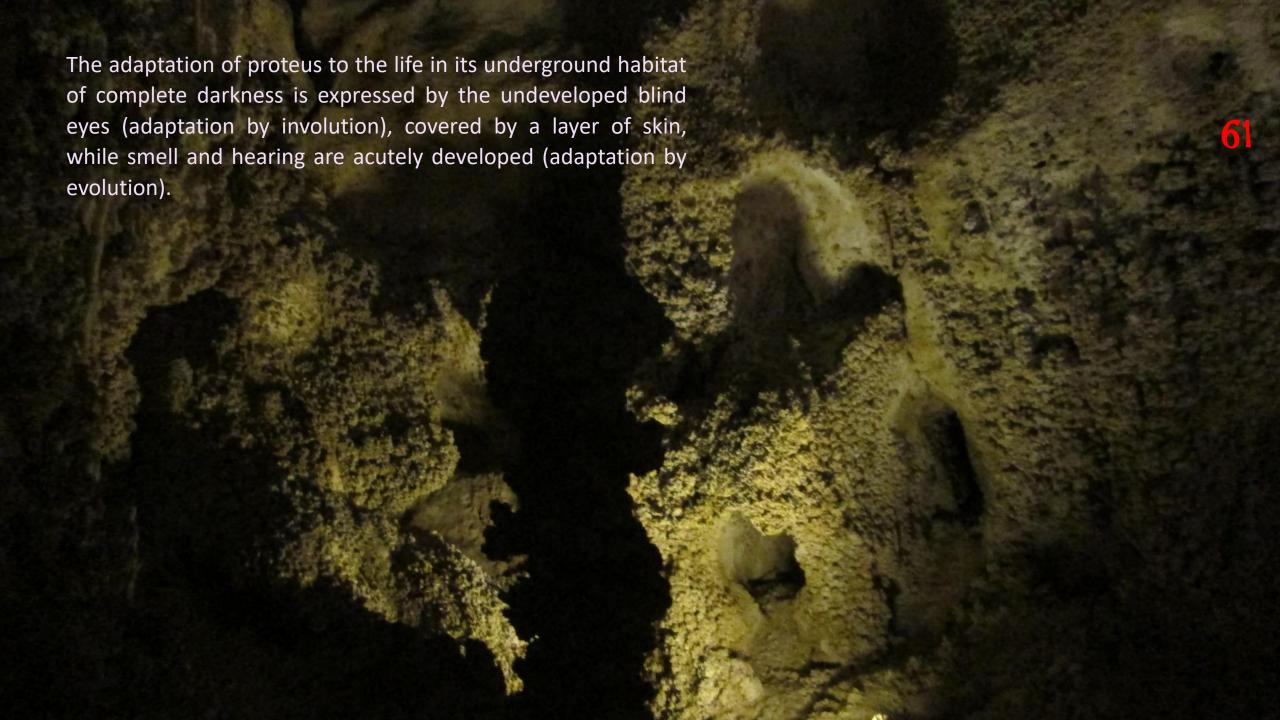


The time delay (between emission and reception of the sound) and the relative intensity of the received sound give to the bats information about the distance, direction, size and type of animal in its environment.







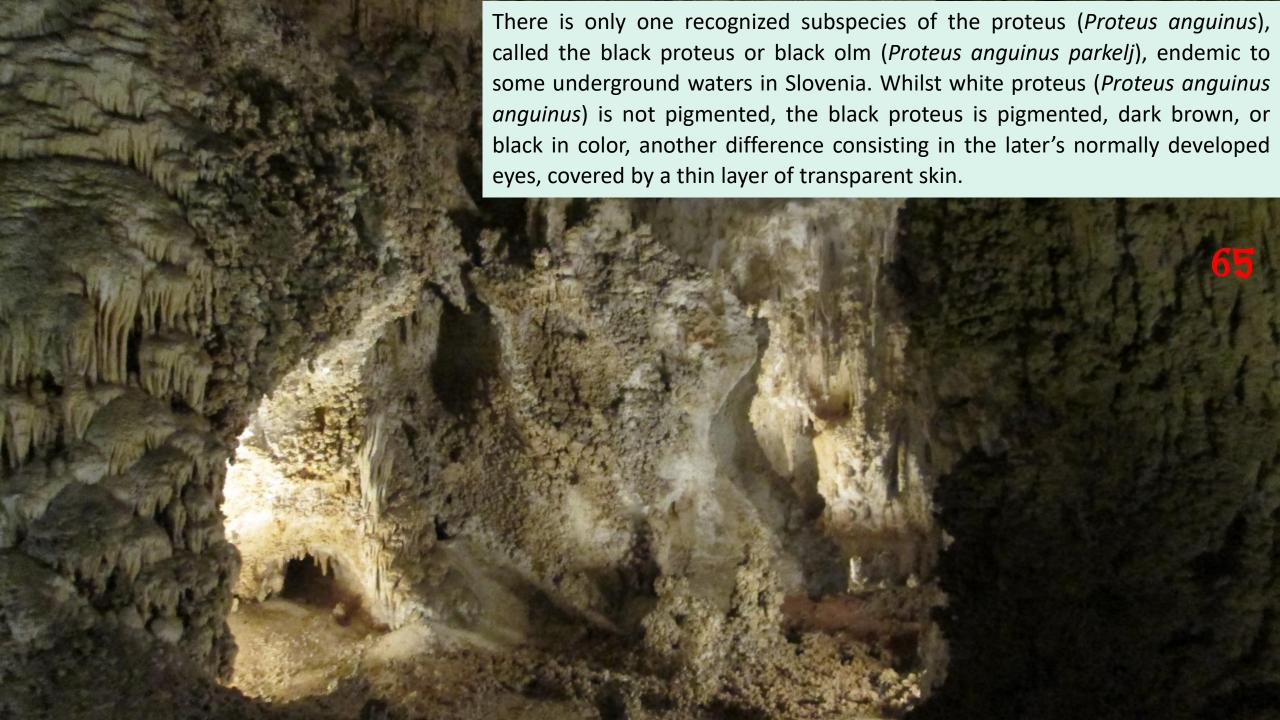


Paradoxically, the proteus swims away from light, although blind, therefore the eyes, placed deep below the dermis of the skin and rarely visible except in younger adults, retain sensitivity. Larvae have normal eyes, but they atrophy after four months of development (adaptation by involution).



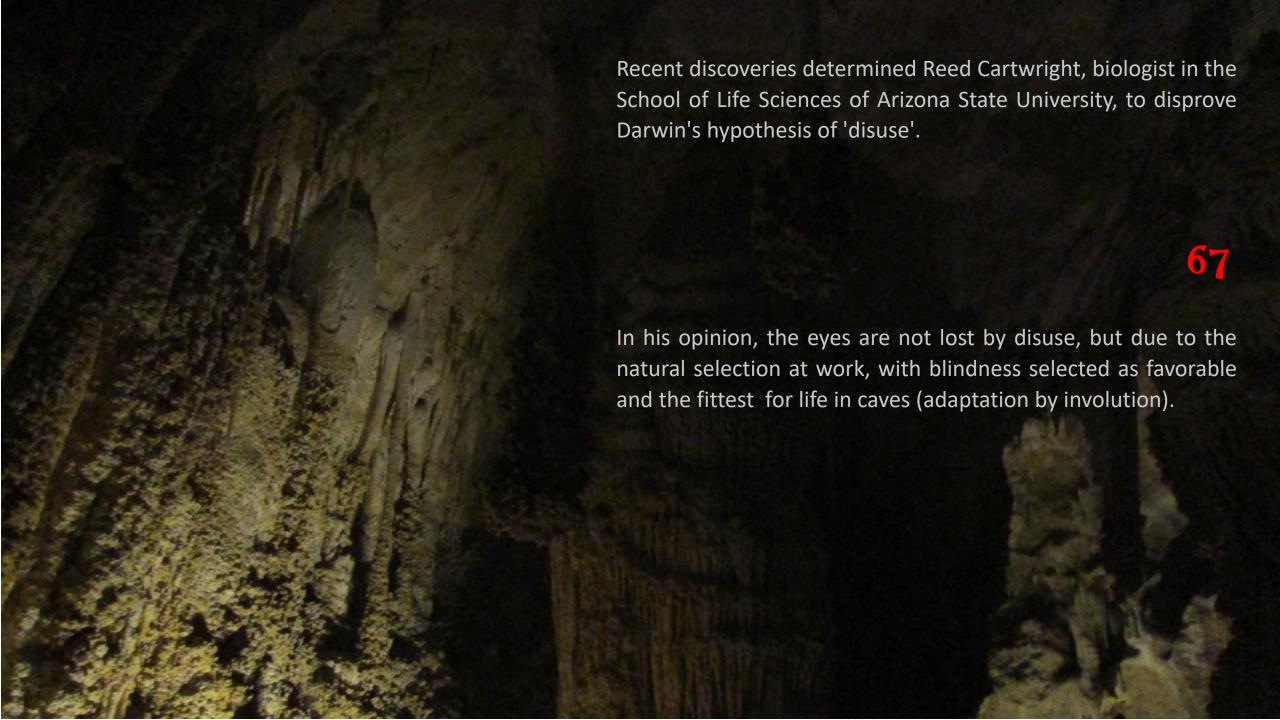


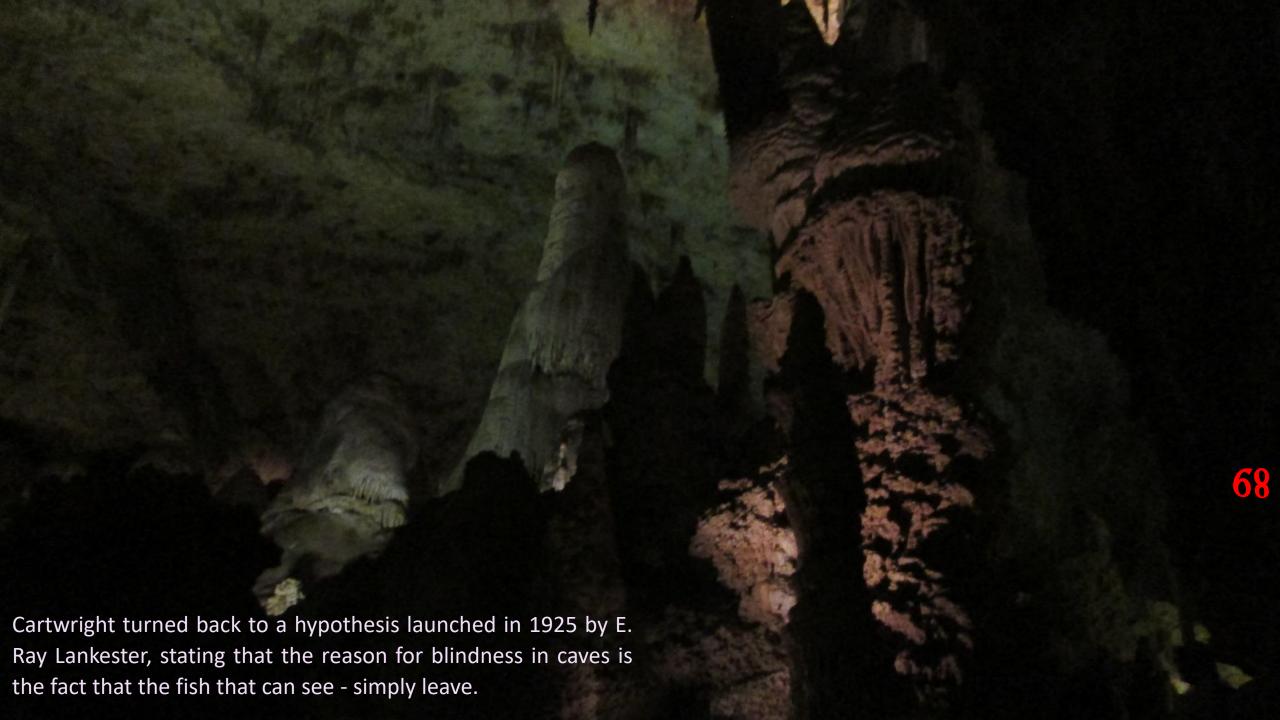




Charles Darwin used the proteus case to prove the reduction of structures through disuse: "Far from feeling surprise that some of the cave-animals should be very anomalous... as is the case with blind Proteus with reference to the reptiles of Europe, I am only surprised that more wrecks of ancient life have not been preserved, owing to the less severe competition to which the scanty inhabitants of these dark abodes will have been exposed."

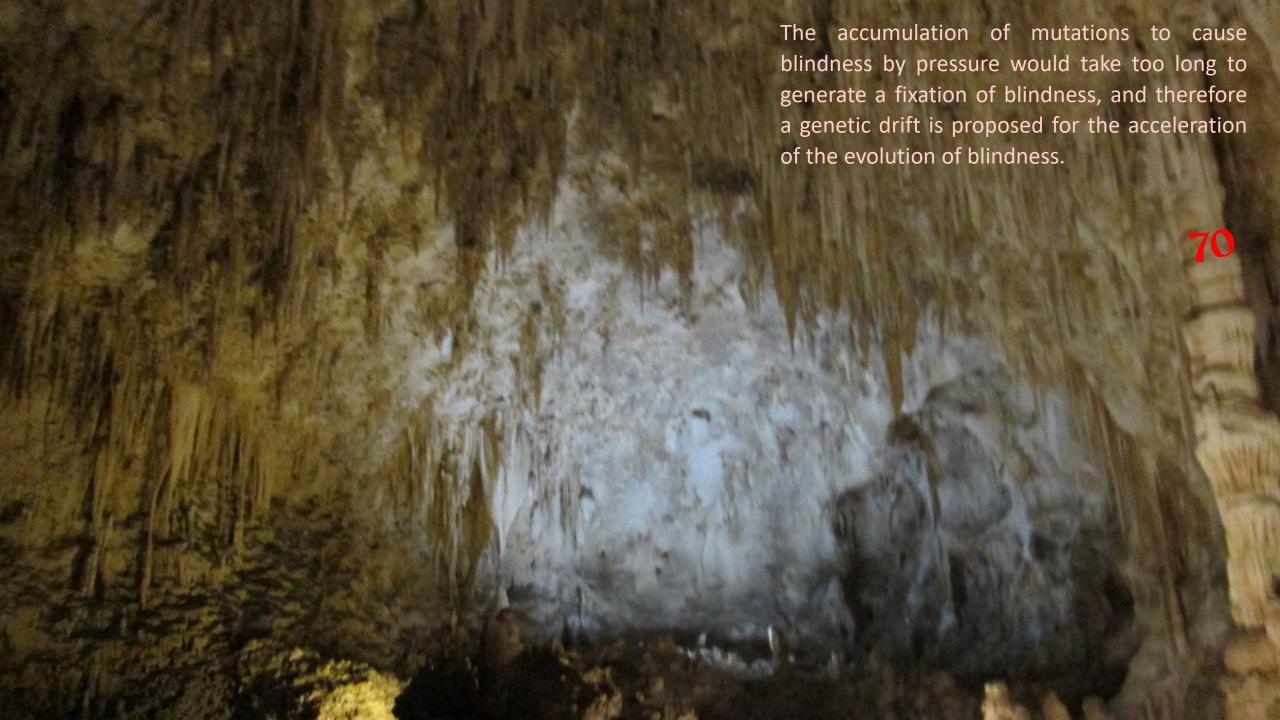


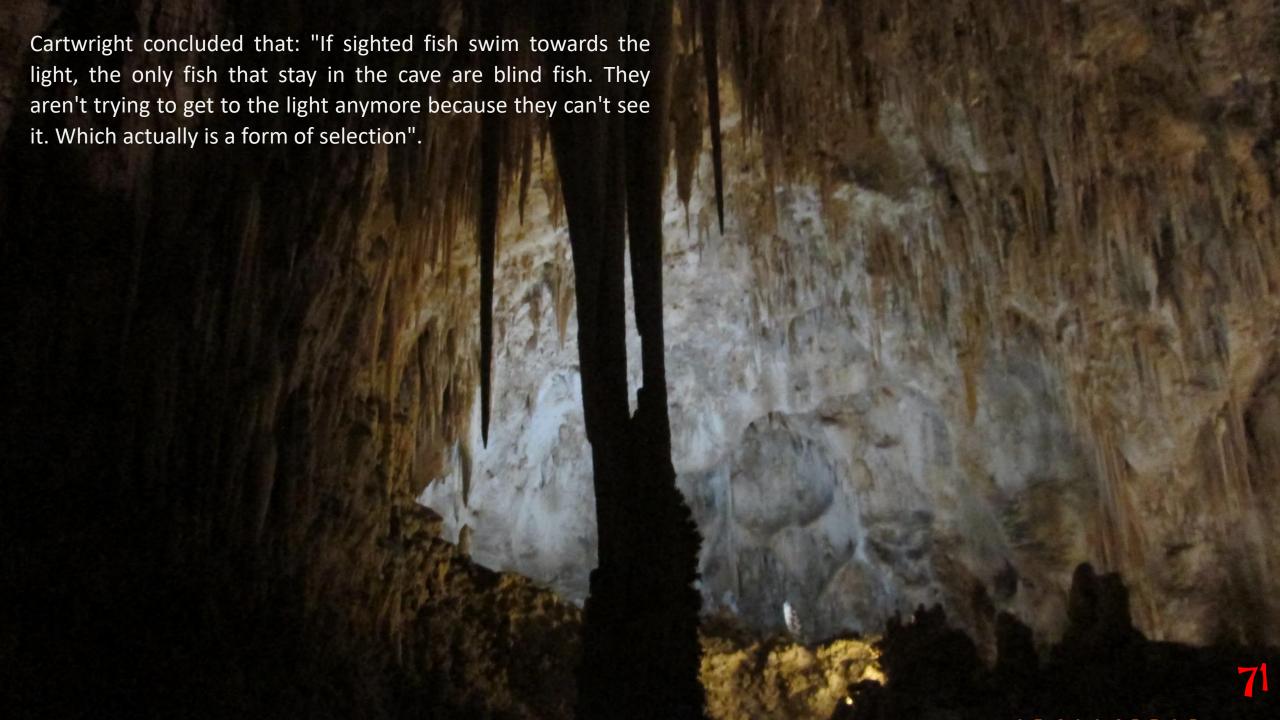


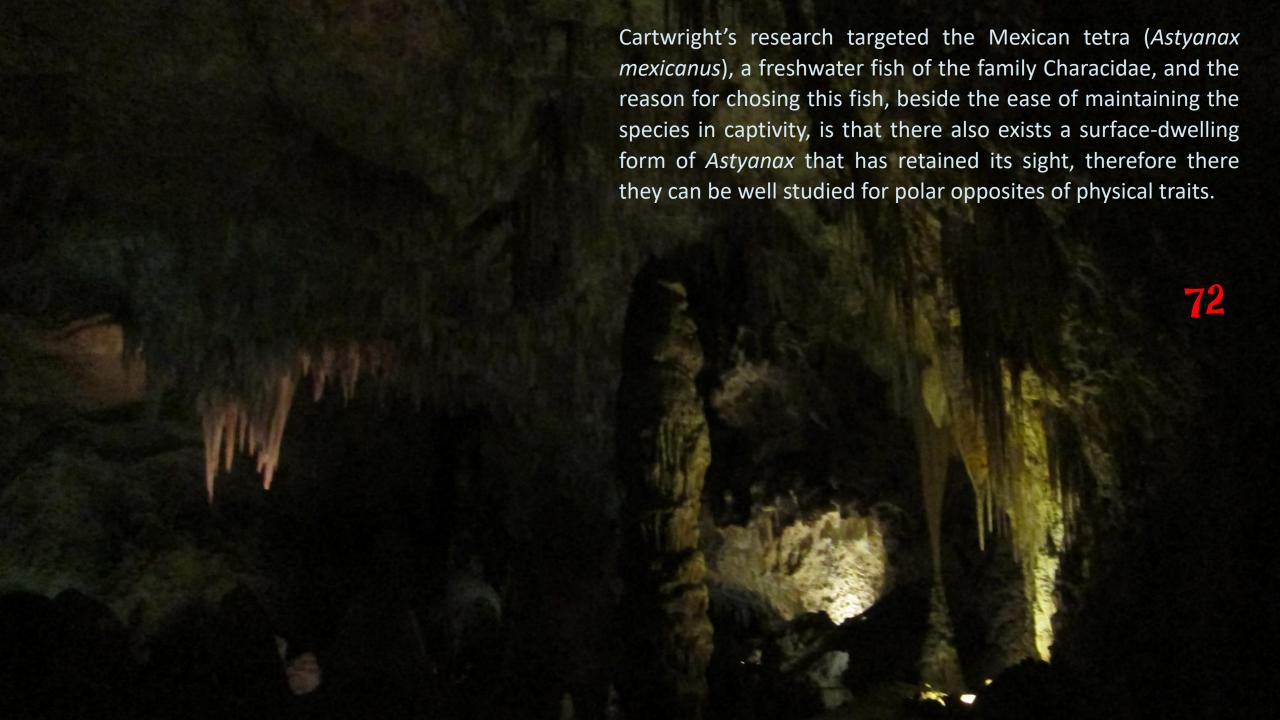


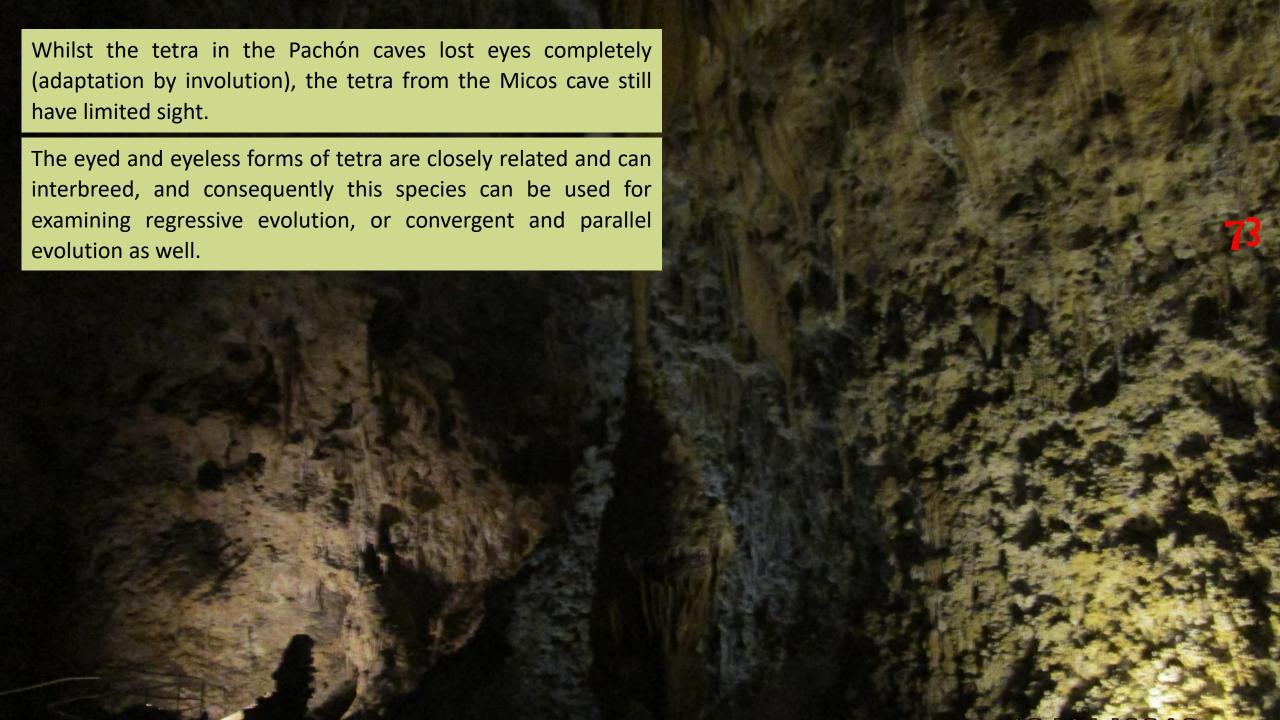
Cartwright considers Darwin's hypothesis the "neutral-mutation hypothesis", as random mutations can accumulate in genes related to sight - since in caves there is no selection to eliminate them.

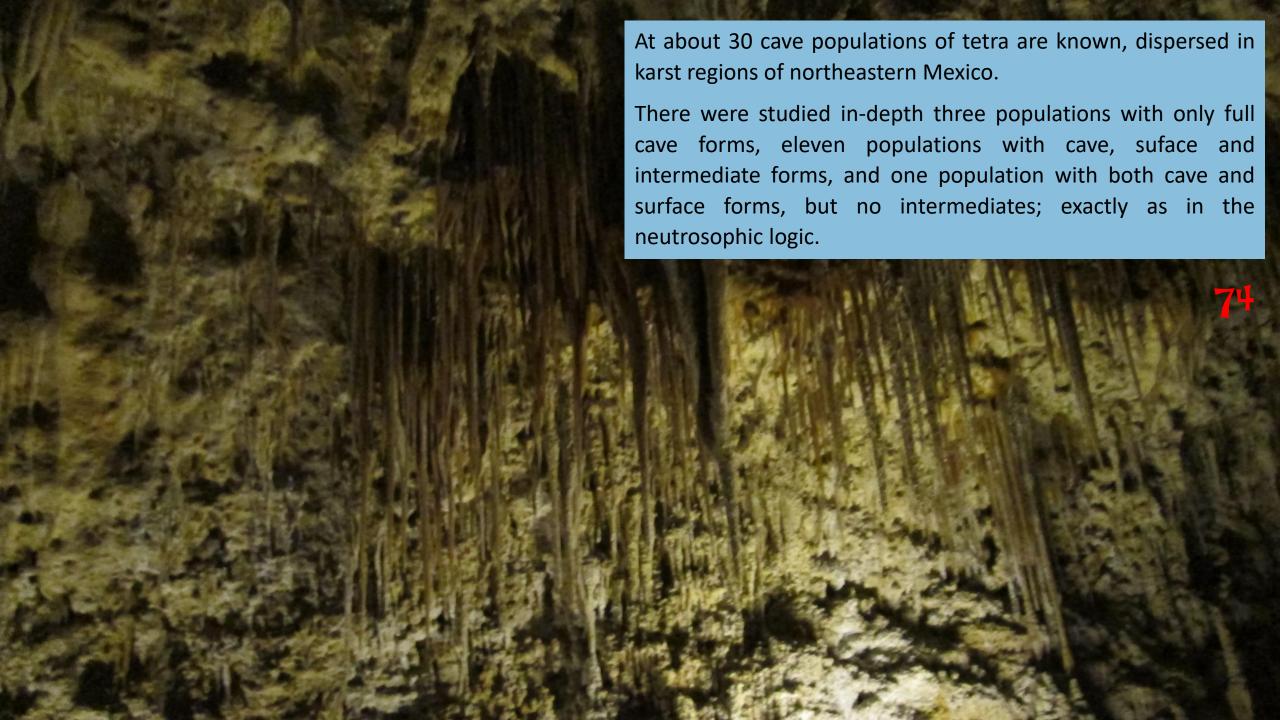


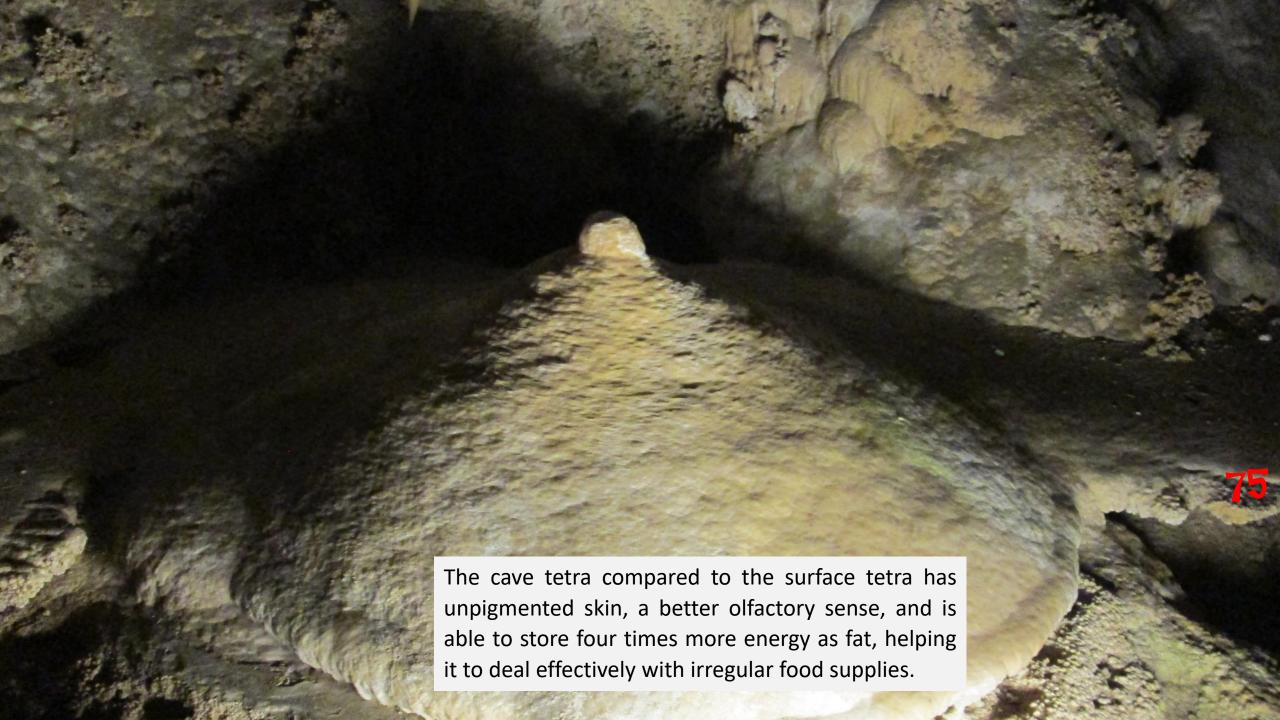


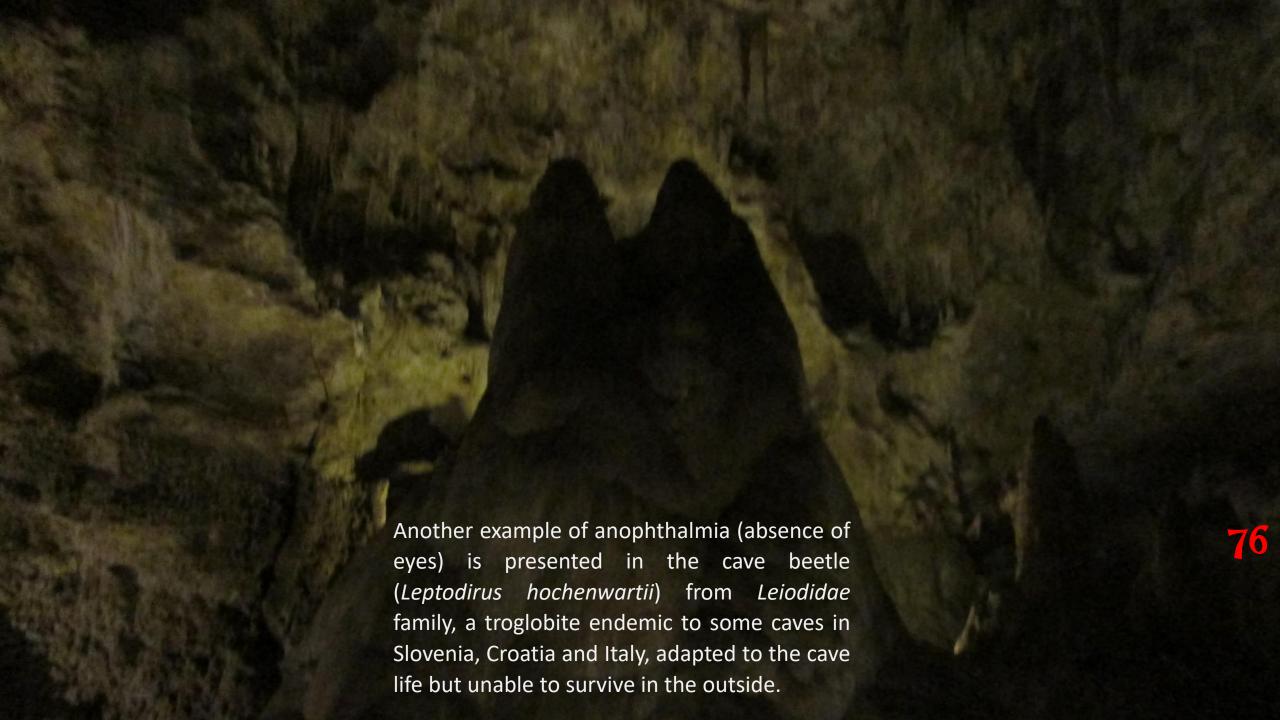


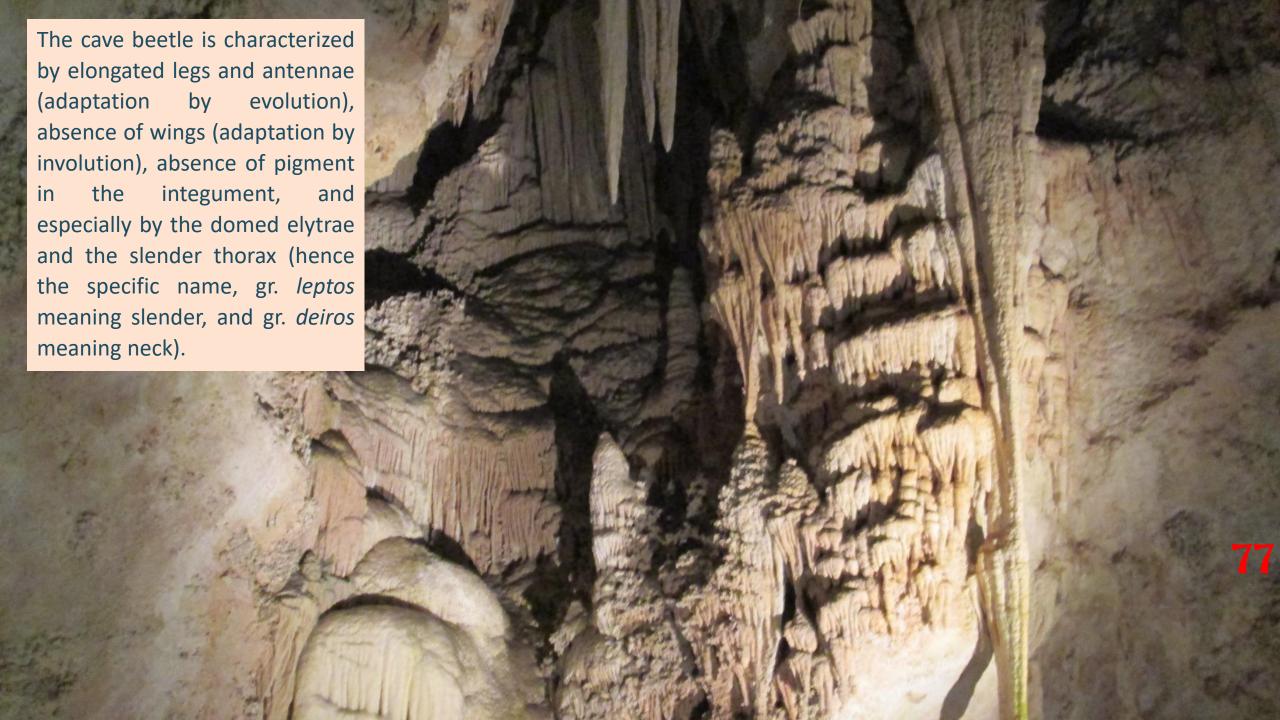




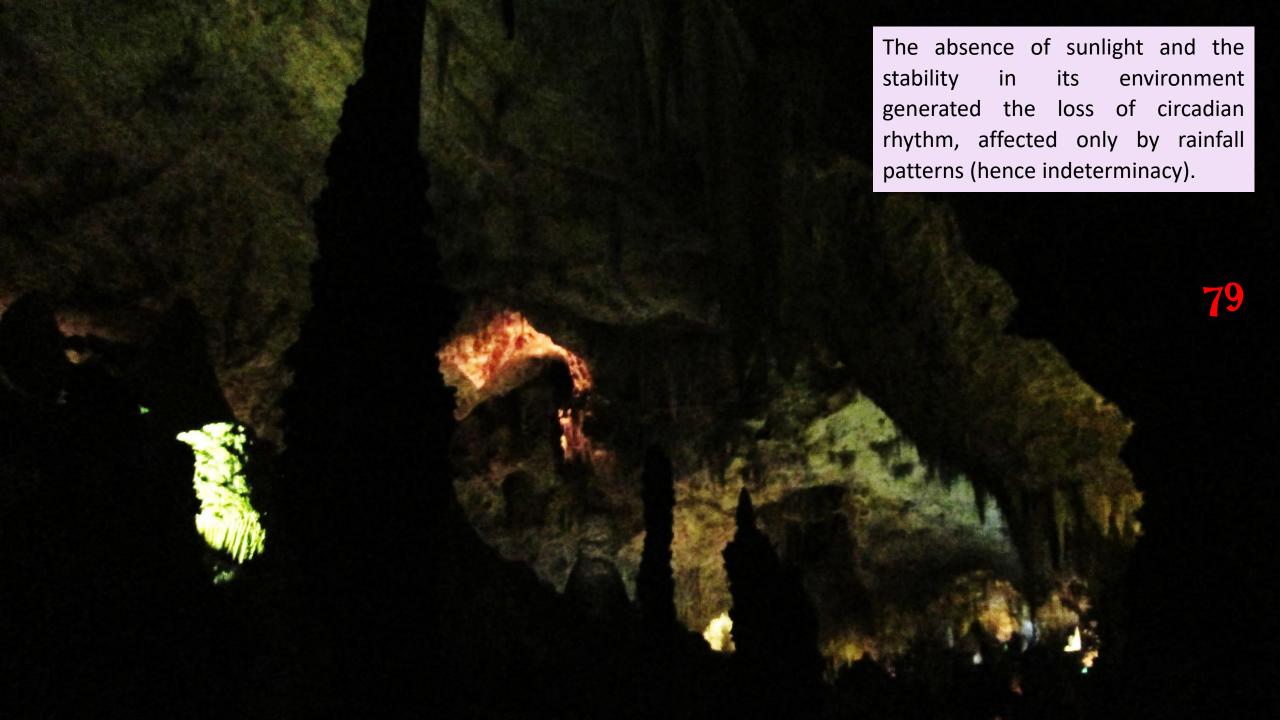














The eyes are neither advantageous nor disadvantageous in the darkness of caves (hence indeterminate).

Modern genetics links the lack of eyes with the need for more energy for growth and reproduction. The "body clock" controlling the periods of light and dark is disabled.

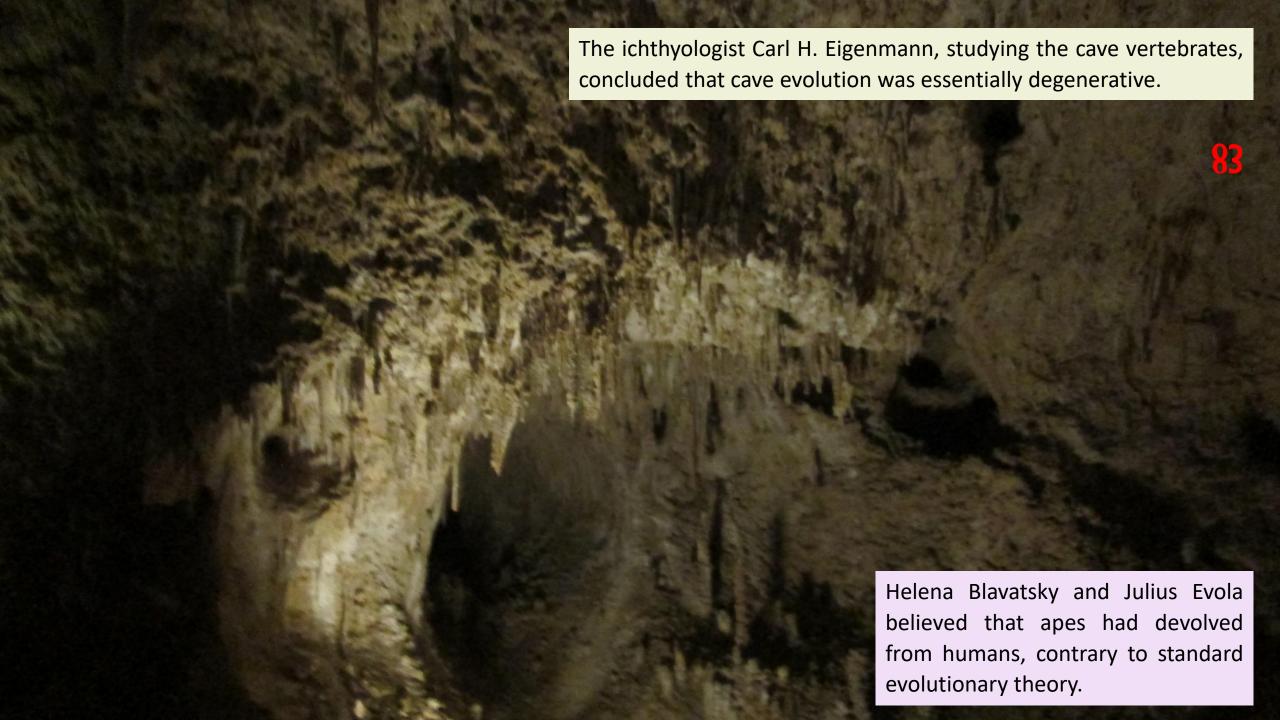


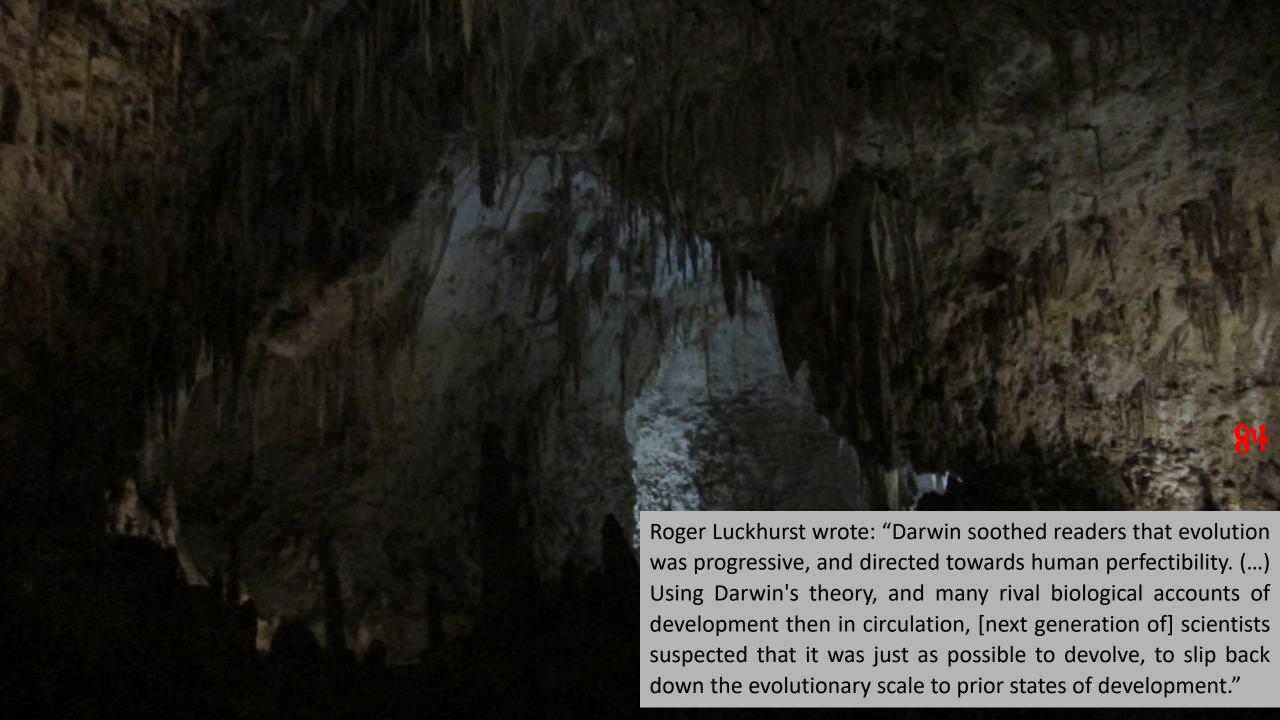


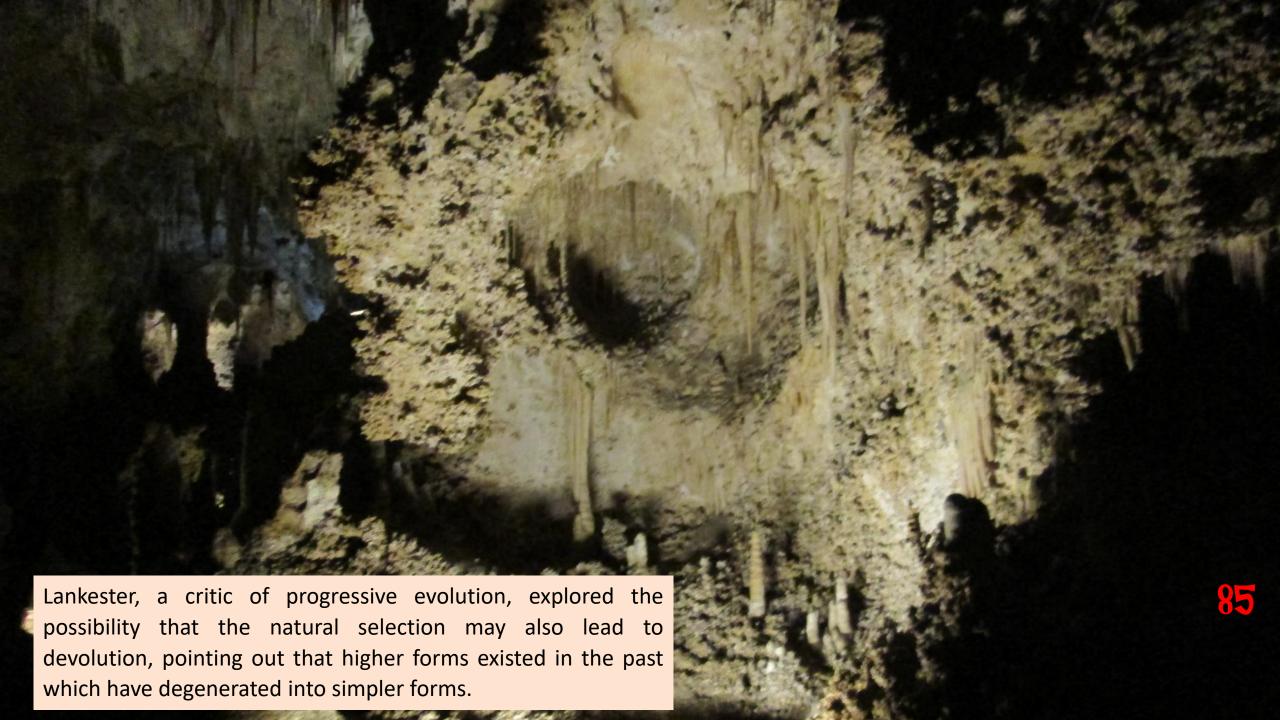
Dawkins claims that this is an evidence of decreasing complexity (devolution).

Devolution, or backward evolution, is a theory that states that species can revert to more primitive forms with time.

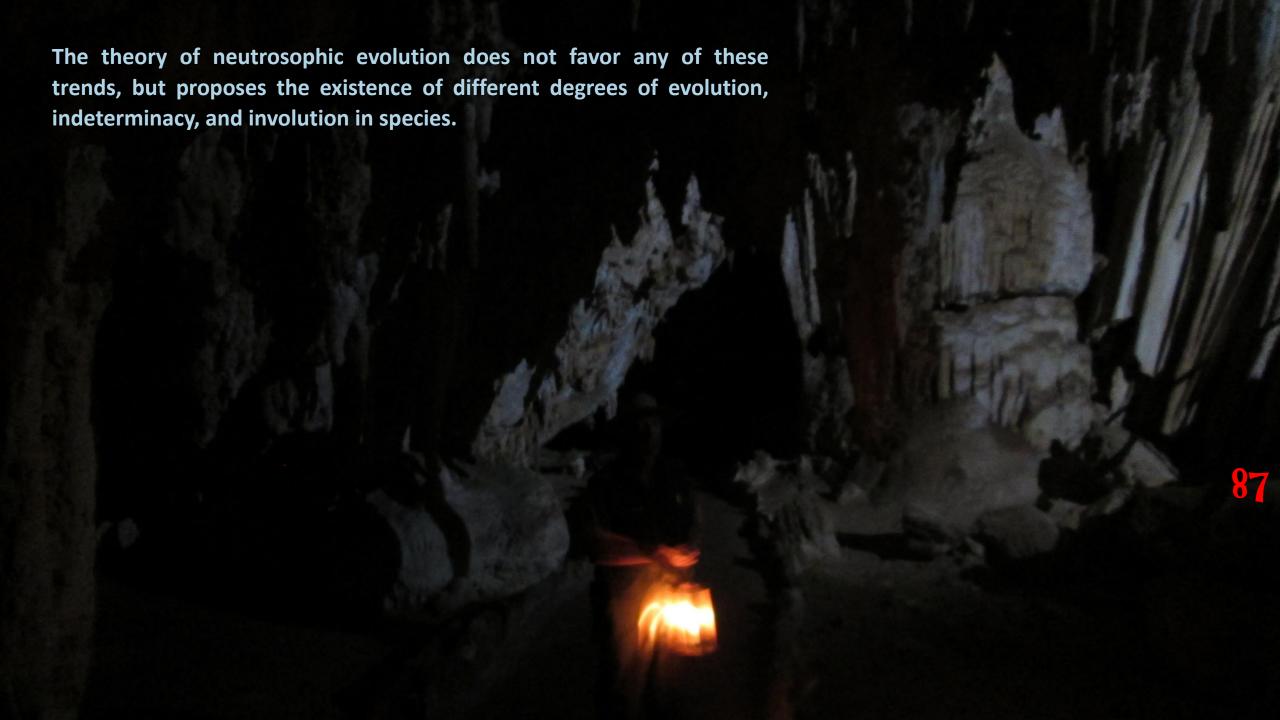
The concept appears in the novel *Galápagos* by Kurt Vonnegut, set a million years in the future, imagining a society that evolves backwards to have small brains.











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